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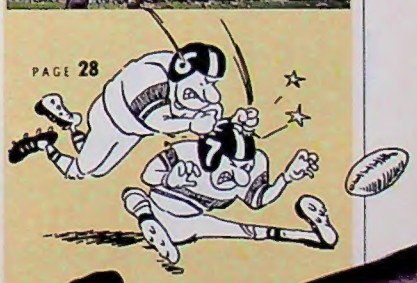

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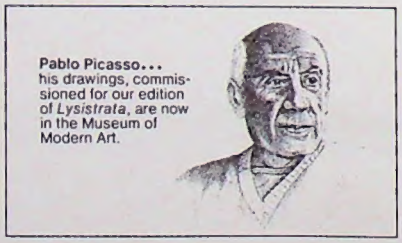
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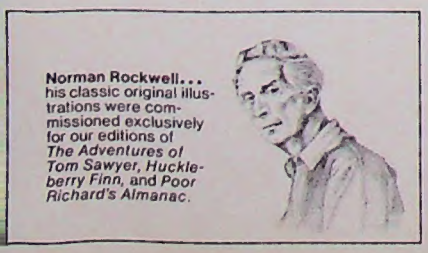
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Frank Paulson
Capron, IL

PLANE SPEAKING ★★

Everyone knows that, to a fighter pilot, "ace" means "one who excels." Can you match these other terms in pilot's slang with their meanings?

1. I'm a dot
2. kitchen pass
3. blanket drill
4. cluebird's in the mapcase
5. sugar report
6. check six
7. I've got the beak
8. I've got the Mo-*zam*-bique!

a. I'm angry
b. letter from a sweetheart
c. look behind you
d. sleeping
e. I'm *really* angry
f. I'm getting out of here fast
g. permission from a spouse to stay out late
h. I'm lost

Sara Lewis Holmes
Okinawa, Japan

BRIGHT IDEA ★★

Here's the *answer* to a simple question: Sending an electrical current through a coil of thin tungsten wire creates a magnetic field, which stretches the coil. When the wire is cool, the tungsten has very low resistance to the flow of current, and may break. But if the wire is heated to, say, 2000° C, the tungsten has a very high resistance and the coil is less apt to break.

What's the question?

Mark Kantrowitz
Brookline, MA

COLOR SCHEMES ★☆

We've mixed up the colors in the titles of nine Sherlock Holmes cases below. How many can you restore? Only dyed-in-the-wool Holmes buffs will get them all.

The *Silver*-Headed League
The Five *Golden* Pips
The Adventure of the *Yellow* Carbuncle
Blue Blaze
A Study in *Black*
The Adventure of *Copper* Peter
The *Red* Face
The Adventure of the *Orange* Beeches
The Adventure of the *Scarlet* Pince-nez

Adam Blyweiss
Philadelphia, PA

A MATTER OF COURSES ★★★

Four professors—Andrea, Bertrand, Charlotte, and Dennis—teach four courses in four rooms, all in a row, numbered 101 through 104. On Monday morning, as usual, Professor Clark could not remember which room to go to or what class to teach there. However, the absent-minded professor was able to recall the following:

1. Fish Psychology meets in room 101; Vegetables In Shakespeare (which is not taught by Dennis) meets in room 104.
2. The two men—Professor Anders and the Martian Archaeology instructor—are not in adjacent rooms.
3. Bertrand's room is next to Professor Baker's room, and neither one teaches Non-Euclidean Arithmetic.
4. Charlotte, who does not teach Vegetables In Shakespeare, has a room next to Professor Davis's.

What is Professor Clark's subject, and in which room is it taught?

H. A. Faske
Cortland, Ohio

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CONTRAVERSY

Inspired by the Higgledy-Piggledy contest results (August/September, page 50) and recent news events, I submit this poem:

Higgledy-Piggledy
Admiral Poindexter
Claimed that he did not pass
Memos to Ron

Giving the President
Deniability
In a democracy
This can't go on.

Alan Batterman
Spring Valley, NY

NOW, THE BAT NEWS

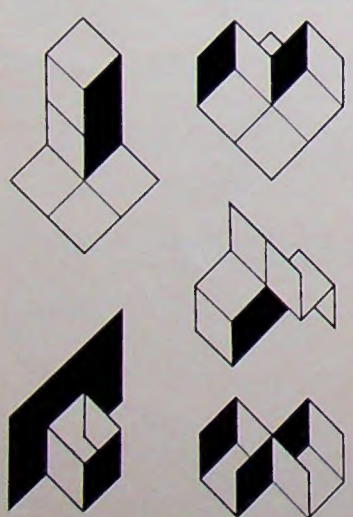
While it is true that bats effectively control mosquito populations ("How Do You Spell Relief? B-A-T-S," August/September, page 10), it is also true that bats carry rabies, a fact you neglected to mention. In 1986, there were almost 800 cases of rabies in bats nationwide. While I agree that Americans have an inordinate fear of bats, I think it is irresponsible to overlook the public health risks involved with close human proximity to bats.

Margaret V. Root, DVM
St. Paul, MN

A NEW TWIST

While attempting to find the solution to Rubik's Magic Puzzle (consisting of eight squares joined by nearly invisible threads), I came up with several interesting shapes and figures, shown below. Some are simple, popping up time and again, while others are more difficult to produce. Perhaps your readers can find others. (By the way, I'm still working on the official solution!)

Thomas Bridgman
Avon, CT



FAKE OUT

Those Janus Cards (Fake Ad, August/September, page 53) have a real-life counterpart. I'm enclosing a pack of double-faced cards manufactured by a well-known company to prove it. Please keep the deck, with my compliments.

Peter L. Libertone
Montclair, CA

Thanks. We're busy trying out all those 6,087,784 card combinations.—Ed.

This could have been a Fake Ad in GAMES, but it actually appeared in a recent edition of the San Jose *Mercury News*. It's not likely Col. North would have raised enough money for his "special project" with a home equity loan, but his unwitting endorsement might have been good for business.

Howard Roth
Los Altos, CA

SNAP DECISION

On the occasion of GAMES's 10th anniversary, would it not have been fitting to give your dedicated staff some mention? I've been a loyal reader since the beginning, and can recall seeing only one picture of your staff. C'mon, give them some credit and satisfy our curiosity by putting some faces to those names we've come to know so well!

Neena Singhal
Ottawa, Ontario

We were afraid the sudden fame might go to our heads.—Ed.

LACK OF SUPPORT

Jeremy Piltdown made up one more of his etymologies than he admitted to ("Call Our Bluff," page 20.) The word "brassiere" comes not from "Phillipe de Brassiere" but from an old French word meaning "bodice," as a look in the dictionary will tell you.

Randall Martin Gee
San Jose, CA

Jeremy Piltdown does have a legitimate source for his derivation of the word "brassiere." But it's indeed possible that his etymology is apocryphal—yet so believable that it has worked its way into the reference books. We'll award a GAMES T-shirt to the first reader who definitively settles the Titzling/Brassiere Affair.—Ed.

FOREIGN TRADE

Thought you might like to know that Americans aren't the only ones who like GAMES. I'm a shift worker at a NATO branch office in Germany, and ever since I left a copy of the magazine in the office, I've had to bring in each issue. The Germans I work with really enjoy it. Keep up the good work; GAMES helps the slow nights go faster.

Bob Muensterman
USAF, West Germany

LAUNDRY

If a reader finds a significant error of fact or a mistake that affects the play of a game, and we agree the slip needs to be laundered, we'll print the first or best letter and send the writer a GAMES T-shirt.

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

I'm sure you want to be left alone about this, but "Marathoner Waitz" ("What's My Line," page 31, clue 75-down) spells her name GRETE, not GRETA.

Jon Delfin
New York, NY

EVENTS

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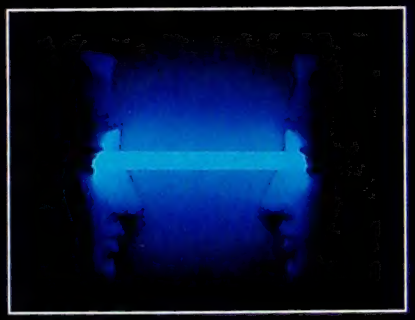

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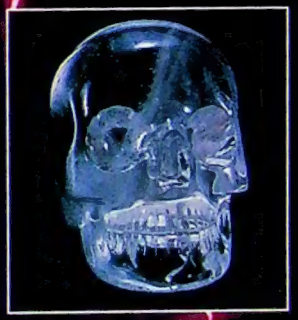

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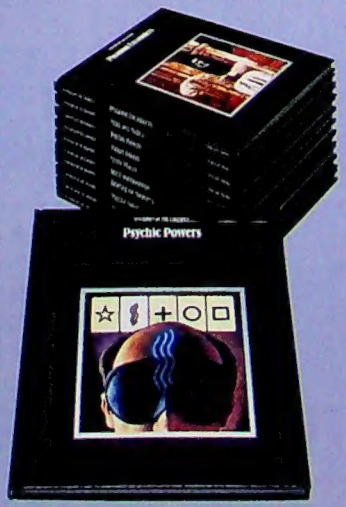

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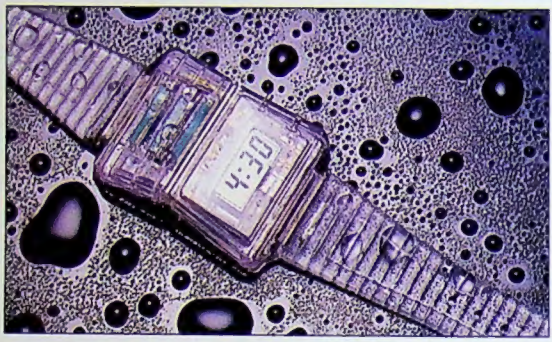
GADGETS GALORE

Every year, the Consumer Electronics Show in Chicago exhibits the highest of high-tech equipment for the home. As usual, we've gone there looking not for CDs and camcorders, but for things offbeat, ingenious, and downright bizarre. And as usual, we've found them. Following are a few items from the show that lucky gadgeteers may find in their Christmas stockings.

The Water Watch (about $30) is definitely not the gift for a Bedouin. That's because this is the first LCD timepiece whose power source is water. Place the transparent plastic watch under an open tap, dunk it in a fountain, even spit on it, and it will keep perfect time for weeks—or until the thin

sponge strips inside the watch dry up. Strap it on and forget about batteries. (Pecco, Inc., 369 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck, NJ 07666)

Another extraordinary watch is Casio's DBA-800 (about $60). Like the slicer-dicer advertised on late night TV, this does just about everything. Besides telling time and waking you up with an alarm, it can store up to 50 phone numbers, names, dates, or other bits of information. More amazing, it can dial phone numbers. Just press a button to display the number, hold the watch to the phone's mouthpiece, and it will reproduce those numbers' dialing tones. (Casio, Inc., 151 Gardner Road, Fairfield, NJ 07006)



The Water Watch could make a splash. The Blabber Mouth (below, left) sings along to Bach or Bon Jovi.

Turn your living room into a mini-version of the Fillmore West with Dancing Lights (about $60). It consists of a sleek black box from which project five fiber optic rods. As you play music, the rods rotate on their base and give off colored lights that vary in intensity according to the volume of the music. Maybe it's time to rummage around for those old Cream albums. (Mazamir International, 316 West Florence Avenue, Inglewood, CA 90301)

You may believe your ears, but you won't believe your eyes when you play Blabber Mouth (about $12). Jutting from the front of this portable radio are a pair of plastic lips that realistically open and close to the beat of the music. Another model (about $13) is shaped like a large stack of one-dollar bills. And we cannot tell a lie: George Washington's mouth jabbers away in time to the music. (Nasta Industries, 200 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10010)

Silent but deadly are the robots of Techforce. Created by video game pioneer Nolan Bushnell, these red and blue robots stand about seven inches high, sit atop a tank, have full mobility, and fire infrared beams. Strike an enemy robot in the right spot and it will be incapacitated for the game. Up to 16 robots can be controlled by a radio-frequency console. The basic unit (about $250) comes with two control consoles and five robot shells that fit on two motorized, tanklike drive bases. Also provided for the less bellicose are goal markers and a little ball for a robotic game of soccer. (DesignTech International, 941-B 25th Street, Washington, D.C. 20037)

—Marshal M. Rosenthal

GREETING WITHOUT MEANING

It's a verbal jigsaw puzzle, a greeting card, and a telegram rolled into one. It's the Puzzlegram, a message that provides a stiffer challenge than anything produced by Hallmark.

Available from a company called The Puzzle People, the Puzzlegram works like this: Write a personal message, send it to The Puzzle People, and they'll convert it into a Puzzlegram and deliver it by U.S. Mail.

What the recipient gets is a sheet of yellow paper that resembles a telegram. On it is a crossword-style grid and a message broken into meaningless groups of letters. To decipher the message, the letters must be placed in the proper boxes (the answer is enclosed). Solving a Puzzlegram is more tantalizing than torturous. According to Richard C. Fairchild, a partner in The Puzzle People company, Puzzlegrams take an average of five to 10 minutes to complete.

Senders can write their own messages of up to 35 words. For the less imaginative, the company offers pre-written messages for any occasion that can be customized with the recipient's name.

Puzzlegrams can be used for birthdays, anniversaries, or, as one woman supposedly did, to inform her husband that she was pregnant.

To order a Puzzlegram, send your message and $6.95 to The Puzzle People, Lee's Summit, MO 64063.

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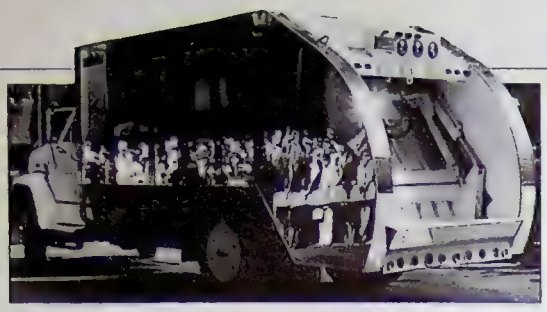

COURTESY RONALD FELDMAN FINE ARTS, NEW YORK

Ukeles's mirrored garbage truck reflects her unusual aesthetic.

GARBAGE FOR ART'S SAKE

Call their work trashy and most artists would be outraged. Not Mierle Laderman Ukeles. Ukeles, 48, is the New York Sanitation Department's first—and so far only—artist-in-residence. It's a position she takes very seriously, though not everyone else does.

"People both inside and outside the department hear my title and laugh," she says. "But it's not my intention to be comic. The reason people laugh is that they think garbage is the farthest thing from art. That's exactly why I do it."

For Ukeles, looking at culture from the bottom up is a form of artistic gamesplaying, which, she admits, can unintentionally serve as comic relief. In a work of performance art called "Follow in Your Footsteps," she followed sanitation workers down the street, mimicking their movements as they lifted garbage and dumped it into their trucks. "It cracked them up," she says. "They also told me that I was doing it wrong, that my balance was off."

Recently, at a New York gallery, Ukeles exhibited a 75-foot-long corridor for visitors to walk through, composed of various garbage materials—old tires, glass bottles, plastic cartons, and the like—seen midway through the recycling process. Accompanying the exhibit were recorded sounds of recycling machines at work, which she says sound curiously like a gigantic digestive system.

Ukeles has also created three sanitation-related ballets: one for six mechanized sweepers; one, performed in Rotterdam, for sweepers and garbage trucks; and a water ballet for six garbage barges and two tugboats.

A creation of which Ukeles is particularly proud is a mirror-covered garbage truck she made several years ago. "Everyone recognizes the shape of the truck, but what they see is the reflection of the street and themselves," she says. "As it moves down the block, reflections kind of peel off it."

The truck, however, has to be exhibited only under special conditions, such as a parade. "It's extremely disorienting," notes Ukeles. "Once I nearly drove into it in a parking lot."

—Minda Zetlin

B.T., PHONE HOME

First it was the London Bridge. A one-of-a-kind souvenir, it ended up in Arizona. Now another familiar symbol of Britain is headed Stateside: The bright red telephone booths that dot the streets of London are up for sale.

British Telecom is replacing these classic call boxes with streamlined, graffiti-resistant plastic kiosks. The Brits had the wits to realize the old booths were collectors' items and began selling them.

At first, British Telecom was cautious about prospective purchasers. "It was like filing for adoption," says one early buyer. "We had to write a letter explaining exactly why we wanted a booth and how we planned to use it." The booth arrived neatly crated, with instructions on reassembling it and "even a jar of paint in the exact color red for touchups," says the buyer. "The man who delivered it was afraid we wouldn't find the right shade."

But now that purchasing conditions aren't as stringent, the booths are being put to more imaginative uses. For example, singer Tom Jones has his at poolside to store towels and suntan lotion. British Telecom suggests using the booths as shower units, garden sheds, or patio phone booths. It also mentions (in very small print) that the customer is responsible for the collection and transport of the box to the desired location.

Not surprisingly, many of those locations are in the U.S. Entrepreneurs are importing them by the dozen, hoping to resell them at a profit. They are, however, expensive souvenirs. British Telecom's prices range from $85 for a modern red shoebox style in poor condition to a cool $1,700 for an original, mint condition, traditional booth. And that doesn't include shipping charges for these cast iron boxes, some of which can weigh up to 1,500 pounds. That adds up to a lot of quarters.

—Fran Severn

The classic English phone booth is being put out to pasture.

JUST THE FACTS

If you can read this sentence, you're literate. But are you *culturally* literate? That's the question posed to Americans in E. D. Hirsch, Jr.'s book, *Cultural Literacy* ($16.95, Houghton Mifflin Company).

Hirsch, a Professor of English at the University of Virginia, defines the culturally literate person as one who possesses enough general knowledge to communicate effectively with other educated people.

This background knowledge needn't be in-depth or esoteric, but it should allow one to instantly recognize such basic facts as the meaning of Celsius, the dates of the American Civil War, and who Gloria Steinem is.

Hirsch lists more than 4,500 historical, scientific, and literary words, phrases, names, and dates that "literate Americans tend to share." To test yourself, try to identify 20 items from Hirsch's list.

—C. S.

1. solipsism
2. Leyden jar
3. Machiavellian tactics
4. the Beatles
5. xylem
6. Seville
7. sine qua non
8. jingoism
9. Balzac
10. ampersand
11. Nazi invasion of Poland
12. separate but equal
13. Nijinsky
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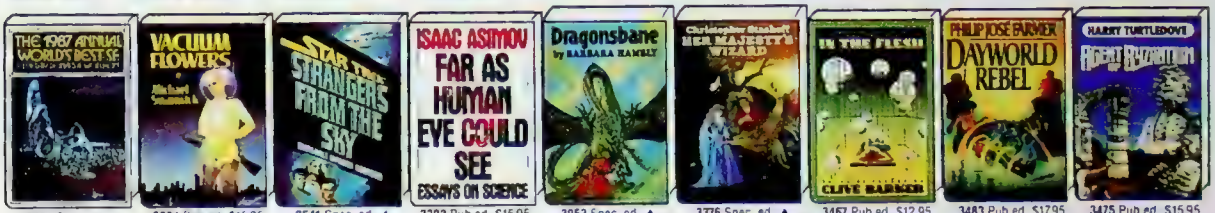

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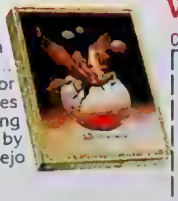

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It was fitting that on the 30th anniversary of the Frisbee, competitors at the U.S. Open Flying Disc Championships were taking the sport to new heights.

It's unlikely that either Walter Fredrick Morrison or Ernest C. "Bill" Robes ever dreamed that their brainchild, the Frisbee* flying disc, would be the cause of such a gathering: Late last June, 12,000 Southern Californians watched 260 men and women from the United States, Canada, New Zealand, Sweden, and Japan compete for national titles, world records, and $40,000 in prize money at the U.S. Open Flying Disc Championships in La Mirada, California.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the Frisbee, the plastic aerodynamic wonder that Wham-O began to produce in 1957. Legend says that in the early 1950s, students at Yale used to eat pies from the Frisbie Pie Company of Bridgeport, Connecticut, turn the pie plates over, and wing them at each other in a team game called Guts. Dartmouth gets credit for the first documented "Frizby" match, played on November 7, 1954, with a

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by Mark Danna

cookie tin. In 1957, Princeton men allegedly played a more macho version with a circular saw blade.

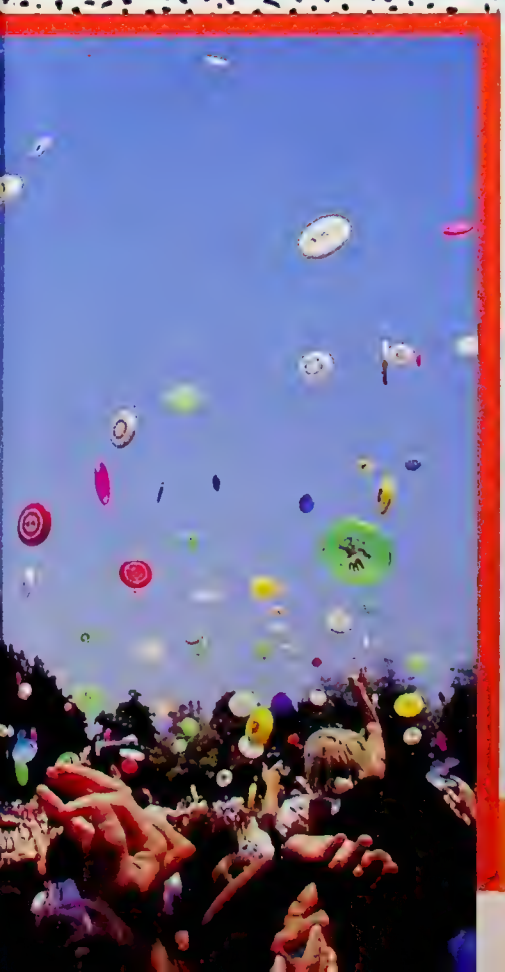
While there are plenty of Frisbee myths, the undeniable truth is that the Frisbee we all know and love was invented at about the same time by two people. Each unaware of the other, Fred Morrison in California and Bill Robes in New Hampshire both developed, promoted, and patented their plastic discs in the 1950s. Both men liked to toss paint and coffee can lids as youngsters, were skilled carpenters, had dads who were inventors, and loved flight. Morrison, despite having been downed in World War II, flew airplanes. Robes, who crafted his own wooden skis, was a U.S. pioneer in acrobatic ski jumping, for which he was inducted into the National Ski Hall of Fame last February.

Inspired by news reports of UFO sightings, Morrison put the names of the planets on his disc and dubbed it the Pluto Platter. After hawking it at county fairs, beaches, and parks, he finally sold its rights to Wham-O's cofounders, Rich Knerr and A.K. "Spud" Melin, who discovered Fred selling his Platters in a Los Angeles parking lot. Less lucky was Bill Robes. He called his baby a Space Saucer and sold it through Ivy League co-ops, but never hooked up with a major manufacturer.

Wham-O began producing Morrison's disc and soon renamed it the Frisbee. Knerr claims he named it after a cartoon character called Mr. Frisbie. The disc didn't catch on until the mid-60s, when it was adopted as the toy of the counterculture. With 100 million sold in 30 years, Morrison has made more than $500,000.

Now 67, Morrison lives quietly in tiny Richfield, Utah, where he runs a small motel with his third wife. Robes, a hearty 76, is married, retired from his carpentry business, and resides in equally small Etna, New Hampshire, just six miles from Dartmouth. The two men have never met.

The U.S. Open celebrated Frisbee's 30th anniversary with a pie tin accuracy throwing contest that offered as first prize one pie a month for a year. But the Open was also seriously competitive. In its fourteenth year and fifth straight at its current site—La Mirada Regional Park—this week-long extravaganza is the most prestigious in all of discdom. Perennially sponsored by Wham-O, the U.S. Open offers the most money, draws the strongest field, and requires the most stamina to complete eight diverse events.



Spectators attempt to set a Guinness Book of World Records *mark for the most Frisbees in the air at one time in one location.*

Party animal Spuds MacKenzie arrives on the scene in a stretch limo. The Bud Light mascot took the crowd in stride.

One of the stars of the week turned out to be Hiroshi Oshima, a 25-year-old physical education teacher from Tokyo. Hiro won the TRC—Throw, Run & Catch competition—in which a player tries to throw the disc as far as possible and catch it himself. The event demands footspeed, good hands, the ability to throw a long high arc, and nowadays, the Roc.

Like the Apple, Aero, Aviar, XD, Coupe, and Hammer, the Roc is one of a new breed of discs from Innova-Champion. Based in Ontario, California and distributing its products mostly by mail-order, Innova has been designing and producing some of the longest-flying discs for four years.

However, until this year, no other manufacturer's discs were permitted in this Wham-O-sponsored tournament. When Wham-O opened the gates, Innova marched in, along with other disc companies, including Lightning and Discraft.

"I really like all of Innova's discs,"

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Amanda Carreiro was the runner-up in women's Accuracy, flinging her disc from as far as 35 yards.

Overall champ Scott Zimmerman tries his hand at the Throw, Run & Catch competition; he came in fourth.

Hiro used a Lightning disc to win the Distance event. In the overall, he finished tied for second.

Snapper Pierson (without shirt) and Ron Vingerelli won Double Disc Court for the third straight year.

says Scott Zimmerman, the Bruce Jenner of Frisbee. Seeking to make it eight overall titles in nine years, the versatile Zimmerman, 25, from Sierra Madre, California, is often referred to as "Frisbee god" by awestruck competitors. Zimmerman used a Frisbee, not an Innova disc, to win the Accuracy event, nailing 17 out of 28 shots at different angles and distances through a five-foot-square wooden target three feet off the ground.

The victory in TRC, however, went to Hiro, who used a Roc to set a U.S. and Japanese mark with a catch at 83.3 meters. The world record of 88.7m, set weeks earlier in Finland, just escaped Hiro's grasp, but the exuberant crowd didn't seem to care.

A close cousin to TRC is Maximum Time Aloft. Competitors must also catch their toss in this event, but time, not distance, is measured. This competition proved almost as difficult for the judges as it was for the players. A half-dozen times during the finals, the judges, seated with stopwatches in hand and wearing pith helmets, suddenly had to jump to their feet and scurry like so many Keystone Kops past a storage truck and a tall balloon in the shape of a beer can to view the catch. The same storage truck almost turned the event into a contact sport when competitor Anni Kreml slammed into it attempting to catch her disc. Unhurt, she proceeded to capture the women's division with a time of 10.80 seconds.

The Distance throw is the equivalent of a home run hitting contest, and this year the throws were booming. In fact, they were so long they had to be measured not with tape, but with surveyor's tools equipped with telescopes and lasers. Unlike baseball, there's no rumor about discs being "juiced up"—it's a fact.

The trend for Distance is to use bevel-edged, small diameter, high-density discs, including the powerful new "91," a Wham-O product developed in cooperation with Innova-Champion. Its designer, Dave Dunipace, 38, a former World Distance champion, delightedly watched the mammoth heaves and offered advice to anyone who would listen. "You turned it over—throw a little higher," he urged competitor Sam Ferrans. With balding pate and gray-flecked beard, Dunipace looks like the clinical psychologist he was before becoming a full-time disc designer. He commented on Hiro's technique: "He's got so much speed out of his hand that unless he chokes, he's in." Not only was Hiro in, he was Hiro-ic. In the Distance finals, he edged Ferrans and set another U.S. Open record—over 150 meters.

Wende Coates of San Diego won the Distance final for women with a throw of 109 meters. Second was Mary Lowry Jorgenson, 30, a social studies teacher from Seattle, who met her husband through Frisbee. "Jeff was jamming in the park and I was really impressed," she laughs. Third was Anni Kreml, the woman's overall defending champion. Kreml is an intimidating athlete. Before the Distance finals she pumped herself up by doing pushups, then performed shirtless, wearing only a sports bra. This is for medical reasons (she easily overheats) rather than to give herself an Amazonian appearance.

If Kreml represents the athleticism of today's Frisbeeites, Jim Palmeri symbolizes the enthusiasm of the sport's pioneers. At 45, Palmeri, a 138-pound bundle of energy, is one of Frisbee's great characters. In 1974, out of his own pocket, Palmeri put up a new Datsun as first prize in his American Flying Disc Open. Later he opened the Flying Disc and Chess Shop, which folded, then sank $20,000 into three issues of his Flying Disc Magazine; it met the same fate. For the past five years, he's paid his bills by repairing video and pinball machines.

"I love coming to the Open and trying to beat younger guys," says Palmeri, eyes shining. "It's really great to outthrow some 22-year old guy who thinks he's a hotshot. I can't do it all the time, but in a big group like this, you're always going to catch someone."

Palmeri did catch half of the field in Discathon, the disc equivalent of the biathlon. The object is to race around a one-kilometer course while throwing discs around such mandatory obstacles as trees and light poles. First place went to Leonard Muise with a time of 4 minutes, 32 seconds.

Among the more esoteric events at the Open was Double Disc Court, a two-disc game that resembles volleyball without the net. In DDC, two two-person teams stand in opposite courts separated by 17 meters and launch one or both Frisbees at each other. Points are scored for every disc dropped. Sometimes two discs arrive at one side at the same time. If both players on a team touch both discs simultaneously, the other team gets two points. Avoiding this situation requires some contor-

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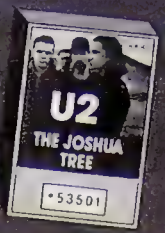

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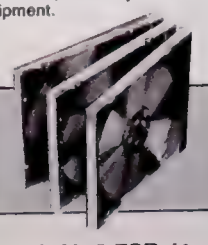

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Anthony Moderato didn't play by the rules. As a Wall Street stockbroker, Moderato built a fortune through insider trading. As a top-ranked tournament Scrabble* player, he pulled every trick in and out of the book to win—from palming an extra tile to blowing cigar smoke in an opponent's face. Moderato was a rotten, stinking sport.

That was the considered opinion of the five best players about to take on Moderato at the biggest Scrabble tourney in the northeast. All five harbored industrial-strength grudges against Moderato. **Jeffrey Pugh**, Moderato's mentor, lost his job at a brokerage house and his reputation after Moderato falsely accused him of embezzling from a client's account, an act for which Moderato received a promotion. ("Who said life was fair?" chuckled Moderato over a power breakfast.) **Nicholas Earwig**'s marriage ended when his wife ran off with Moderato—who promptly ditched her for **Mary Prill**. Prill quickly discovered that Moderato was as likely to fulfill his promise to marry her as she was of scoring 1,000 points in a Scrabble game. (Mused Moderato, toweling himself off after a brisk game of squash, "Some broads have no sense of reality.") Social climber **Robert Lancaster** made the mistake of once beating Moderato at Scrabble; for this offense Moderato blackballed him from membership in the exclusive Nouveau Club ("That'll teach you to know your place."). **Maude Bogbean** was the president of Bogbean Industries—until Moderato engineered a takeover of the firm and booted her out. (Said Moderato to her dryly, "Now you should have no trouble remembering how to spell *destitute*.")

More galling, Moderato was a brilliant Scrabble player. He relished rubbing salt into the wounds of vanquished foes, then washing the wound with vinegar and reapplying a fresh coat of salt. ("Dyslexics have given me a tougher game," he cruelly taunted one loser.) Each of the five secretly wished Moderato dead. Their wishes were about to come true.

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The Scrabble championship was scheduled to start at noon at the Hotel Motjuste. At 11:00 A.M. a gunshot rang out from a small room just off the tournament suite. Entering first, a bellhop found Moderato's body, a hole having been put through it by a snub-nosed bullet. The hotel manager called the police, and fifteen minutes later, Detective Cal Funk arrived on the scene. Funk quickly established that Moderato had been playing a practice Scrabble game with Bogbean in the room (which had a front and back door). At 10:55, an intense-looking Scrabble groupie entered the room and took a Polaroid of the board with Bogbean and Moderato sitting at it, and asked them for their autographs. When Moderato demanded $10 for his signature, Bogbean and the photographer left the room in disgust. No one was seen entering or leaving the room during the few moments before Moderato was shot. A coroner arrived and, after a brief examination of the body, informed Funk that Moderato hadn't died instantly.

Funk's thorough, sometimes heated interrogation of the five Scrabble players revealed that each had had a motive and an opportunity to kill Moderato. The detective rounded them up and ushered them into the murder room. For two minutes, Funk stared at the Scrabble board (Picture 2) and at the Polaroid of the board taken by the groupie (Picture 1). Finally he addressed the gathered players: "I play Scrabble with the missus sometimes. Not as good as you, of course. In fact, not even as good as the missus. But I know enough about Scrabble to have figured out which one of you killed Moderato." Funk cracked the case in two minutes. Can you?

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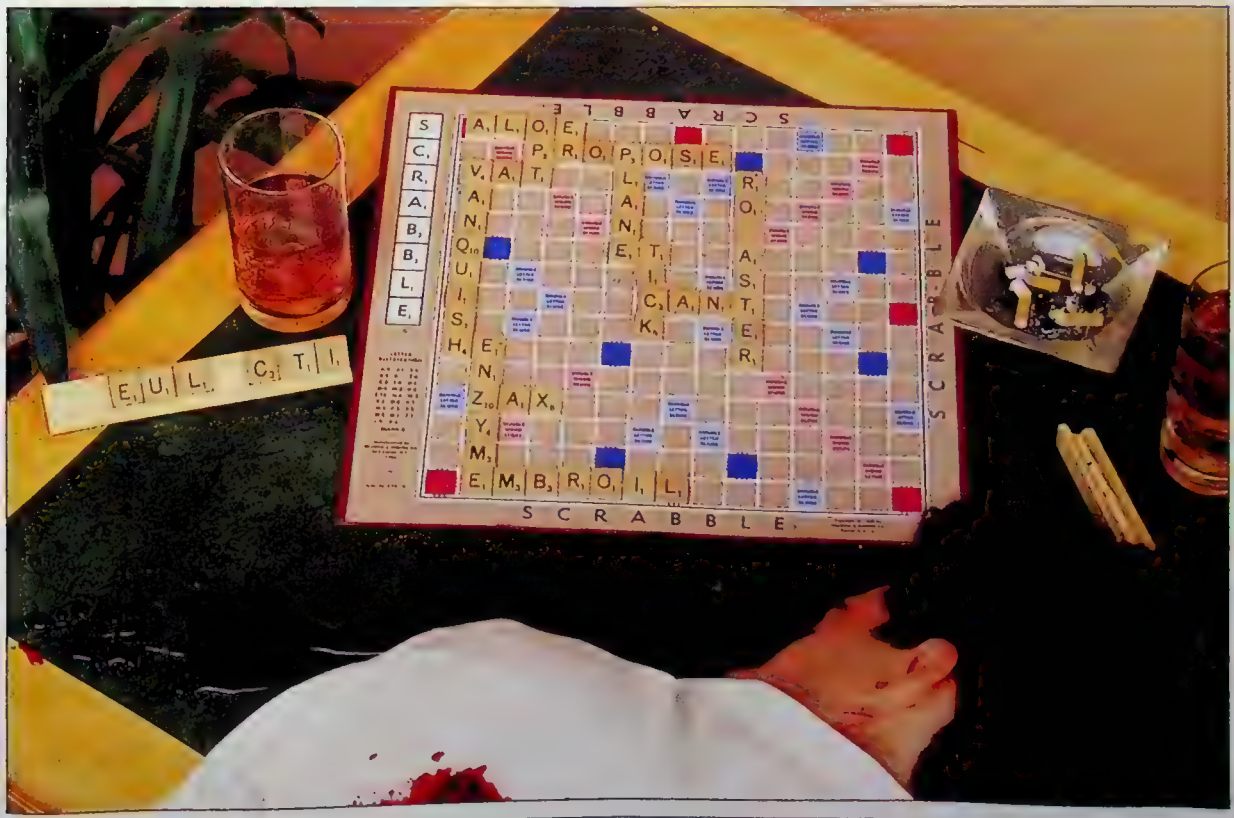

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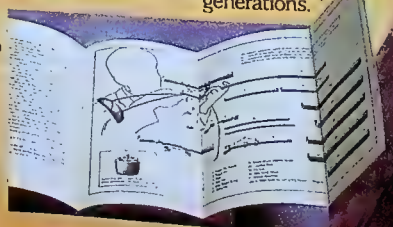

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Class Acts

Over the years, Hollywood has opened up its own campuses of a number of schools, real and fictional. Can you name each movie described here?

1. John Houseman is the tyrannical Professor Kingsfield at Harvard Law School
2. Pat O'Brien is a famous Notre Dame football coach and Ronald Reagan is "the Gipper."
3. Jerry Lewis has the title role as a Jekyll-and-Hyde instructor at the fictional A.S. University.
4. Ali MacGraw plays a dying Radcliffe student and Ryan O'Neal a Harvard student who are romantically involved.
5. John Belushi and the rest of the Delta House fraternity create chaos at fictional Faber College.
6. Dennis Christopher and friends are "cutters" who compete against campus snobs in Indiana University's Little 500 bike race.
7. Groucho Marx plays the head of Huxley College, preparing for the big football game against rival Darwin U.
8. C. Thomas Howell passes himself off as black to get a minority scholarship to Harvard Law School.
9. Fred MacMurray discovers "flubber" in the first of two Disney movies set at the fictional Medfield College.
10. William Hurt, Glenn Close, and others play University of Michigan alumni reuniting at the funeral of a friend.
11. Rodney Dangerfield is a clothing-tycoon-turned-freshman at Grand Lakes University.

Statistics 101

1. Although they may not be as amply compensated as a star collegiate running back, professors do receive a decent salary. What is the average salary for a full professor?
   a) $18,000 to $22,000
   b) $22,000 to $25,000
   c) $25,000 to $34,000
   d) $34,000 to $41,000
2. To pay those salaries—as well as a few other expenses—students (or more likely their parents) must shell out some big bucks. What is the average yearly tuition at an Ivy League school?
   a) $5,000 c) $11,000
   b) $8,000 d) $14,000
3. About 12 million students are enrolled at the undergraduate level in the U.S. These students attend approximately how many accredited colleges and universities?
   a) 1,500 c) 3,750
   b) 3,000 d) 4,500

Bull Session

College kids need a specialized vocabulary to get by in the classroom. They also need a specialized vocabulary to get by in the dorm room. Which is the correct definition of each campus slang word or phrase?

1. Cramming
   a) A food eating contest held between students, usually in the campus cafeteria.
   b) Studying a semester's worth of work the night before an exam.
   c) Attempting to get into a course that's already full.
2. Gut
   a) A course that usually hands out high grades for little work.
   b) The stomach-churning feeling of taking an exam for which one is unprepared.
   c) To receive an F in a course.
3. Greek system
   a) A curriculum that devotes as much emphasis to developing the body as it does to developing the mind.
   b) A school whose predominant architectural style is Greek; i.e., a pretentious college.
   c) Fraternities and sororities that identify themselves by Greek letters.
4. Freshman fifteen
   a) The number of pounds a college student invariably gains during his first year, due to a steady diet of junk food.
   b) The average number of phone calls a homesick freshman makes to his family every two weeks.
   c) The number of "care packages" from home a student usually receives during his first semester.
5. Squid
   a) A mooch
   b) A member of the ichthyology department
   c) A student who studies every waking moment

Campus Sites

If the University of Rhode Island or Ohio State is mentioned, most of us would at least know in which state the campus is located. Though they're likely to sound familiar, the colleges below may be a bit harder to place. Can you match each to its location?

1. Brown	a. Malibu, California
2. Bucknell	b. West Lafayette, Indiana
3. Colgate	c. Des Moines, Iowa
4. Dartmouth	d. New Orleans, Louisiana
5. Drake	e. Hanover, New Hampshire
6. Marquette	f. Hamilton, New York
7. Pepperdine	g. Lewisburg, Pennsylvania
8. Purdue	h. Providence, Rhode Island
9. Tulane	i. Nashville, Tennessee
10. Vanderbilt	j. Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Star Pupils

Here are 10 people who made the grade, though not necessarily while they were attending school. Can you match each of the celebrities (1–10) with his or her alma mater (a–j)?

1. Johnny Carson	a. Bryn Mawr
2. Dick Cavett	b. Carnegie-Mellon
3. Phil Donahue	c. Fordham
4. Katharine Hepburn	d. Notre Dame
5. G. Gordon Liddy	e. Princeton
6. Stephen King	f. Smith
7. Walter Mondale	g. University of Maine
8. Nancy Reagan	h. University of Minnesota
9. Jimmy Stewart	i. University of Nebraska
10. Andy Warhol	j. Yale

Pomp and Circumstances

Institutions of higher learning often boast of having a "tradition of excellence." We doubt, however, the traditions below are what they have in mind. Can you guess which traditional event really occurs at each of the five schools?

1. Auburn
   a) Before Georgia Tech football games, pledges from fraternities and sororities must parade down local streets dressed only in pajamas.
   b) Before any football game, a 30-foot effigy of the opposing coach is paraded around campus, then burned in front of the stadium.
2. Wellesley College
   a) Once a year, the entire (nearly all-female) student body dresses in men's clothing, to protest against "rampant sexism" in the job market.
   b) Seniors compete against each other in a hoop-rolling race. The winner supposedly will be the first in her class to marry or to become a success in business.
3. University of Redlands
   a) Every year two fraternity houses race nude at two in the morning from the administration building to the university chapel.
   b) Once a year, two frat houses race naked at two in the afternoon up a redwood tree at the heart of the campus.
4. University of California at San Diego
   a) Each April, students in the English Department take turns speed-reading *The Canterbury Tales* in hopes of setting a new school speed record.
   b) Every year, engineering students try to propel a watermelon seed as far as possible off a tall building.
5. California Institute of Technology
   a) One day a year seniors leave campus from 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. after blocking entrances to certain rooms. Using clues created by the seniors, underclassmen must figure out how to enter the rooms before the seniors return.
   b) Annually, seniors attempt to build a large, lifelike statue of Enrico Fermi out of discarded microchips.

Team Spirit

When it comes to college sports teams, there are plenty of Tigers and Eagles and Bears. The nicknames below, however, are a bit more distinctive. Can you match each team name (1–10) below with the school (a–j) that uses it?

1. Big Red	a. Alabama
2. Boilermakers	b. Arizona State
3. Cornhuskers	c. Cornell
4. Crimson Tide	d. Delaware
5. Fightin' Blue Hens	e. Miami
6. Hurricanes	f. Nebraska
7. Nittany Lions	g. North Carolina
8. Orangemen	h. Penn State
9. Sun Devils	i. Purdue
10. Tarheels	j. Syracuse

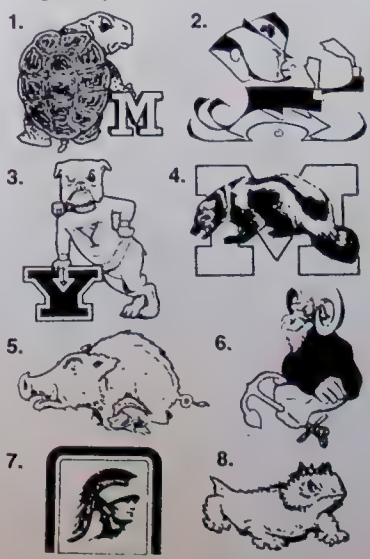
Campus Call Our Bluff

Everyone's heard of Cornell and Kent State, of UCLA and Yale, but there are hundreds of smaller, less well-known colleges. The list below contains eight real schools, along with two fakes we've thrown in. Can you pick out the phonies?

American University	Madonna College
Calvin College	Moon Valley College
Hamline University	Shorter College
Hiawatha College	Tougaloo College
Limestone College	Transylvania University

Logo Motives

There's no easier way to show your school spirit than by sporting a picture of the college mascot on your T-shirt or pennant. The illustrations below are the logos of eight well-known colleges or universities. How many can you identify?



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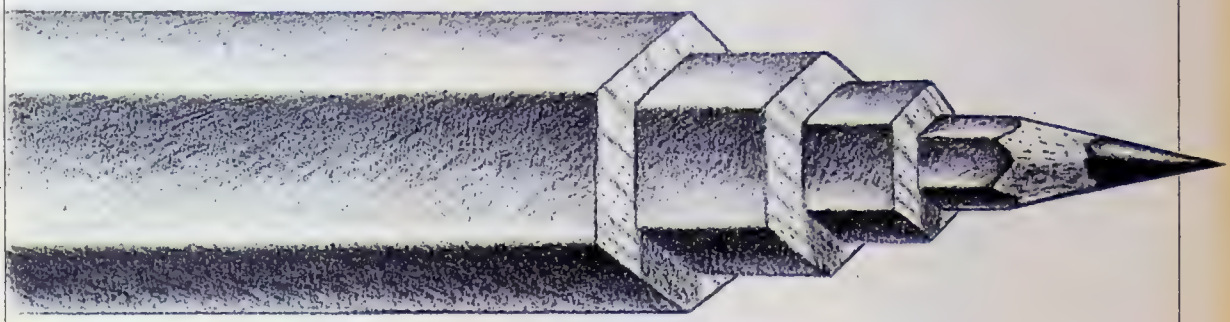

JIGSAW BOXES ★

BY A. BRAINE

The object of Jigsaw Boxes is to fit the pieces into the squares to form an interesting message. To begin, note that the grid is divided into 16 sections (A-1, A-2, B-1, etc.) and that the jigsaw pieces are organized at the side by section. Fit the pieces into the appropriate sections of the grid (across only) to form the message reading across line by line. Black squares separate words in the message, and words not stopped at the end of one line will continue on the next. In section A-1 there is only one three-letter piece, so we've filled it in for you. You take it from there.

For a story about ordering this kind of puzzle by mail, see page 8.

ANSWER, PAGE 55

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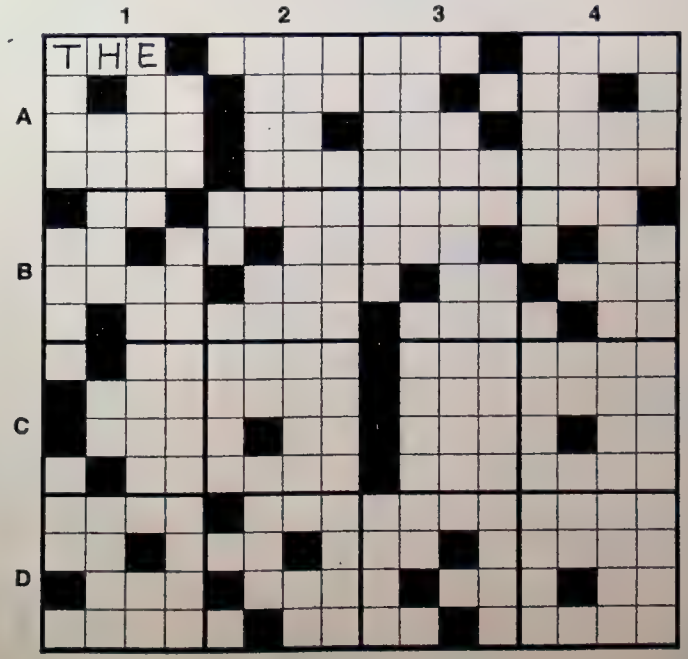

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WACKY WORDIES: THE EARLY YEARS ★☆

The game is to discover the familiar word, phrase, or saying represented by each arrangement of letters, symbols, and/or pictures. For example, #1 depicts "error in judgment" while #2 shows "a safe investment." ANSWERS, PAGE 60

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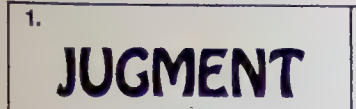

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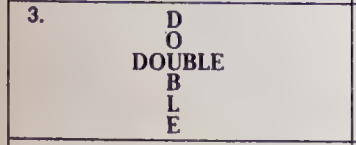

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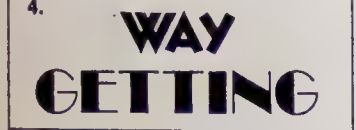

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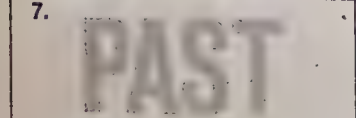

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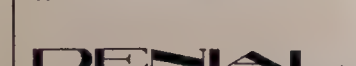

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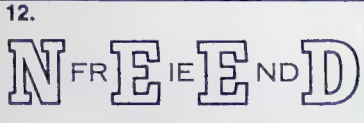

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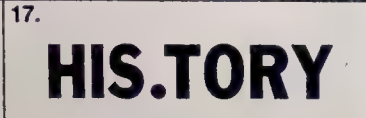

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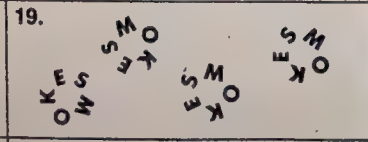

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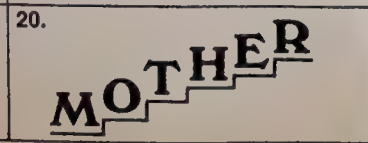

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A Short History

Despite our best efforts to the contrary, "Wacky Wordies" has become one of the most popular and enduring features in GAMES. It is, in fact, the puzzle that won't die.

Our first offering of these bits of typographic wordplay appeared in the July/August 1979 GAMES. They were created by the GAMES staff as part of an in-house competition, in response to a sheet of these puzzles that was going around the country. The puzzle might have ended there if GAMES readers hadn't started sending in their own examples and encouraged us to continue. Soon "Wacky Wordies" was followed by "Wackier Wordies," "Yet Wackier Wordies," and "Wackiest Wordies."

At that point, we decided that Wacky Wordies had finally run their course and announced that we wouldn't print any more. But readers, many of them expressing outrage at our announcement, kept sending them in. As the mail piled up, we capitulated and printed "Beyond Wacky Wordies." Then came "Wacky Wordies Return," "Color Wacky Wordies," "Celebrity Wacky Wordies," "Return of Wacky Wordies" (again!), and finally "Wacky Wordies: The Final Chapter."

As new examples continue to arrive even now, several readers have asked, "Where did Wacky Wordies start?" Well, puzzles known as rebuses can be traced back several centuries, and isolated Wacky Wordies can be found in the 16th and 17th centuries. But the first regular appearance of these puzzles apparently was in an American magazine, *French Humor* (later *Tidbits*), where they went by the name "Cuckoo-Nuts" and appeared weekly during 1927-28. The *American Magazine* continued them as "Patterpics" during the early 1930s. Then Martin Gardner revived them in 1959 as "Wacky Wordles"—the possible origin of their modern name.

The Wacky Wordies at left are from the original issues of *French Humor* and *Tidbits*. They were sent for our amusement by some readers at Gernsback Publications, in Farmingdale, Long Island, which owns the rights. We think that the distinction of these puzzles as the pioneer Wacky Wordies makes them worth a new showing. —W. S.

TABLE TALK ★

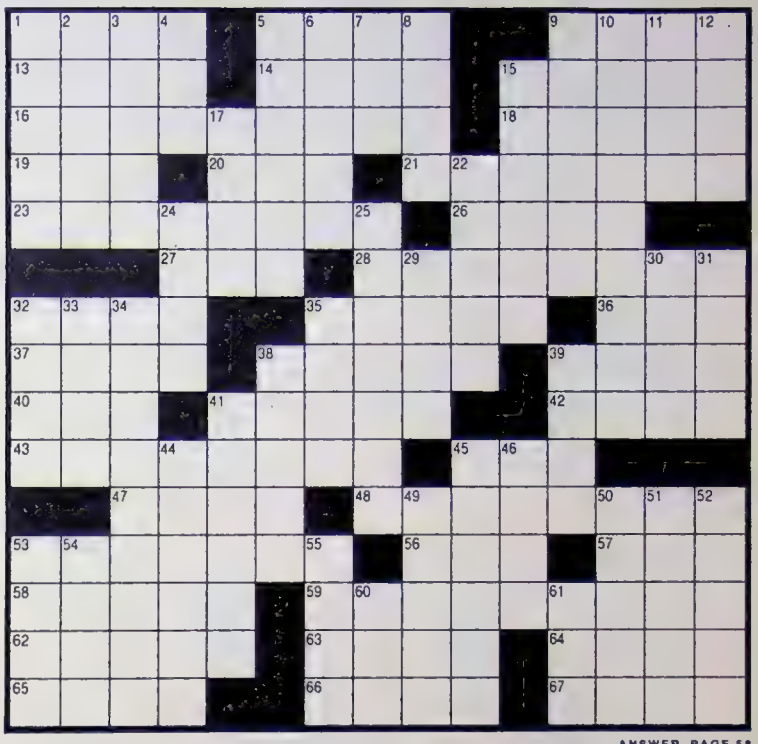
BY TRIP PAYNE

ACROSS

1 Make over
5 Behind ___ (in jail)
9 Word after poker or potato
13 State with belief
14 No room to swing ___: 2 wds
15 "Time in a Bottle" singer Jim
16 Ankle-touching dive
18 One preparing to shoot
19 *Much ___ About Nothing*
20 Sped
21 Most cordial
23 Red ___ (false clues)
26 Ooze out
27 *Born in the* ___
28 Weekend bargain events: 2 wds
32 Nuisance
35 "Stretch" cars
36 Street: Abbr.
37 Knocks on wood
38 ___ down (softened)
39 To ___ (perfectly): 2 wds.
40 Environmental Prefix
41 Ballads
42 Deep-knee exercise
43 Deficiency
45 One of the "little piggies"
47 Geek
48 Occurred as a consequence
53 Least firm
56 Kind of room for play
57 "Bali ___" (*South Pacific* song)
58 General places
59 *Dallas* ranch
62 Lecherous looks
63 Little doggies
64 "Peekaboo, ___ you": 2 wds
65 Broadway's *Sweeney* ___
66 Building location
67 Flower gardens

DOWN

1 Indian prince
2 Run away from
3 Style of furnishings
4 Mork's planet
5 Monkey's snack
6 Making a hole-in-one
7 English airmen: Abbr
8 Leftovers dish
9 Black Sea peninsula, site of an 1854 war
10 What the catcher plays behind: 2 wds.
11 Frosts a cake
12 Saucy
15 Touch lovingly
17 Singer Kristofferson
22 "___ is my witness...": 2 wds.
24 Grooves
25 Bee's weapon
29 Actor/singer Ed
30 Divisible by two
31 Garden starter
32 Chief exec: Abbr.
33 For every one
34 Serve baby food to, e.g.
35 Short's opposite
38 Warty amphibians
39 Cain's brother
41 Accent
44 Stunt, as growth
45 African fly
46 "That smarts!"
49 Go off, like a volcano
50 "___ were the days!"
51 Having handles, as a pitcher
52 Zuider Zee embankments
53 Pepper's partner
54 Popular sandwich cookie
55 Recipe measurements: Abbr.
60 Yes, in France
61 Little white lie



ANSWER, PAGE 58

SKIN GAME ★

BY O. J. ROBERTSON

If beauty's only skin deep, this is the prettiest puzzle of the year. The answer to each clue is a word, phrase, or name containing the word SKIN. For example, the clue "Immune to criticism" would lead to the answer THICK-SKINNED, while "Emaciated person" is SKIN AND BONES. How many of these 14 answers can you lay bare?

ANSWERS, PAGE 55

1. Miserly fellow _____
2. Washington football team _____
3. Annoy _____
4. Swim in the buff _____
5. College diploma _____
6. X-rated movie _____
7. Gold spinner of fairy tale _____
8. Cowboy's breeches _____
9. Scuba user _____
10. Football, in slang _____
11. Driver of stubborn animals _____
12. Thornton Wilder play _____
13. Very thin paper _____
14. Noted behavioral psychologist _____

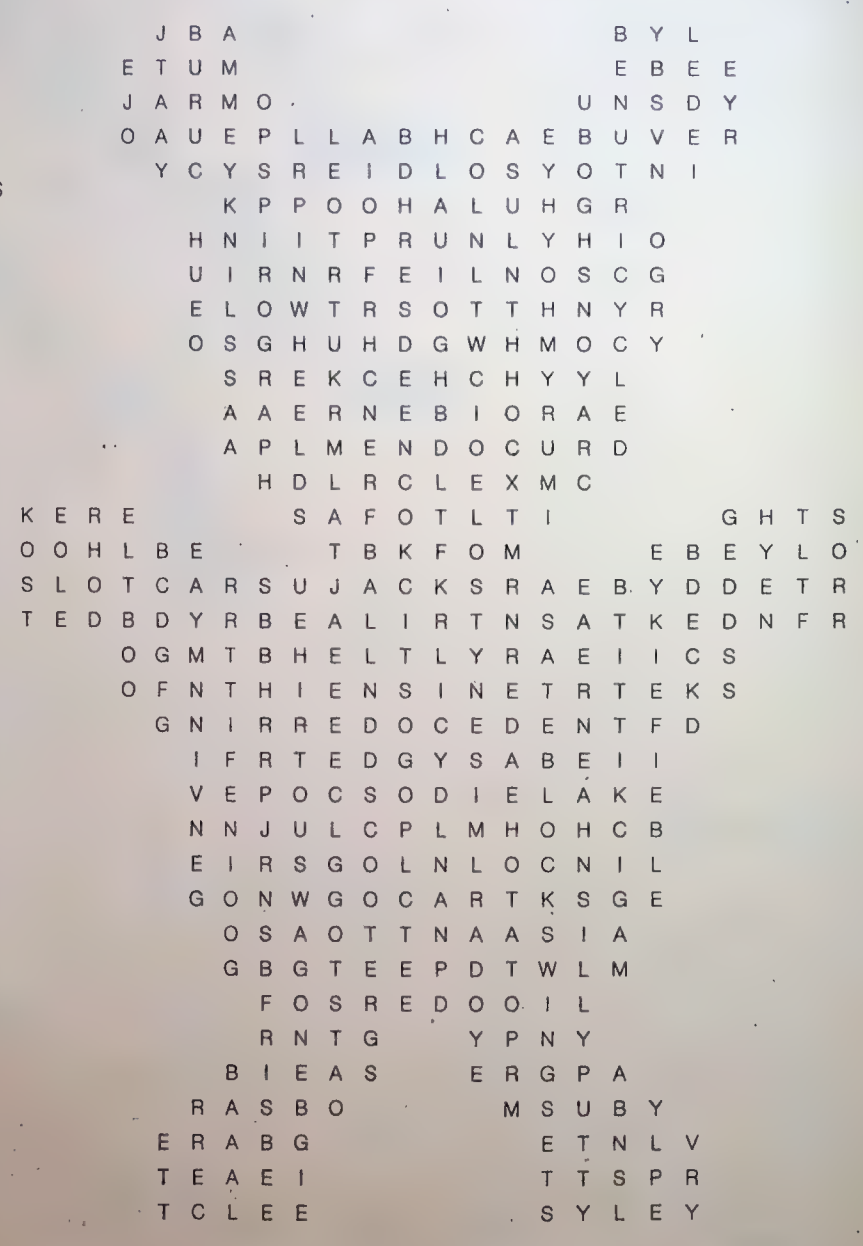
THE PLAY'S THE THING ★

BY ART PIPENY

A Toys and Playthings Word Search

This teddy bear, like most of its real-life counterparts, is stuffed—with the names of 44 different toys, games, and playthings. As usual, the names may be hidden in any direction (horizontally, vertically, or diagonally) but always in a straight line. Can you bring your solving skills to bear and find them all?

ANSWER, PAGE 60



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CABBAGE PATCH KIDS
CHECKERS
COLORING BOOK
CRAYONS
DECODER RING
DOLLHOUSE
ERECTOR SET
FRISBEE
G.I. JOE
GOBOTS
GO-CART
HOT WHEELS
HULA HOOP
JACK-IN-THE-BOX
JACKS
JUMP ROPE
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KITE
LEGO'S
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TRANSFORMERS
TRICYCLE
WAGON
YO-YO

THE YEAR IN CROSSWORD TOURNAMENTS

Six-time champion David Rosen, relaxing after his Stamford victory

It has been an excellent year for crossword contests. Despite the suspension of the five-year-old U.S. Open, which GAMES and Merriam-Webster sponsored from 1982-86, more regional tournaments were held in 1987 than in any previous year.

In case you'd like to see how your skills compare to those of the contestants, five puzzles from four of this year's tournaments appear in this issue, beginning below and continuing on pages 31, 34, 36, and 37.

One hundred eighteen puzzlers from coast to coast competed in the oldest and largest contest—the 10th Stamford Marriott Crossword Puzzle Tournament, held in Stamford, Connecticut, in April. David Rosen, a 34-year-old computer systems analyst from New York City, captured $400 and the winner's trophy for the fourth time. He flawlessly solved seven preliminary puzzles scheduled over a day and a half, then demolished the playoff puzzle (see page 36) in a cool 5 minutes 45 seconds. For the first time in any tournament, senior solvers (55 and over) and junior solvers (25 and under) competed in their own divisions with separate cash prizes.

Rosen also picked up another $400 first prize at the Presenting Baltimore's

(CONTINUED ON PAGE 31)

Baltimore Top Five

1. David Rosen.....Computer Analyst
2. Ellen Ripstein .....Statistician
3. Al Sanders .....Engineer
4. Douglas Hoylman.....Actuary
5. Dave Kaplan .....Stamp Dealer

YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN! ★★

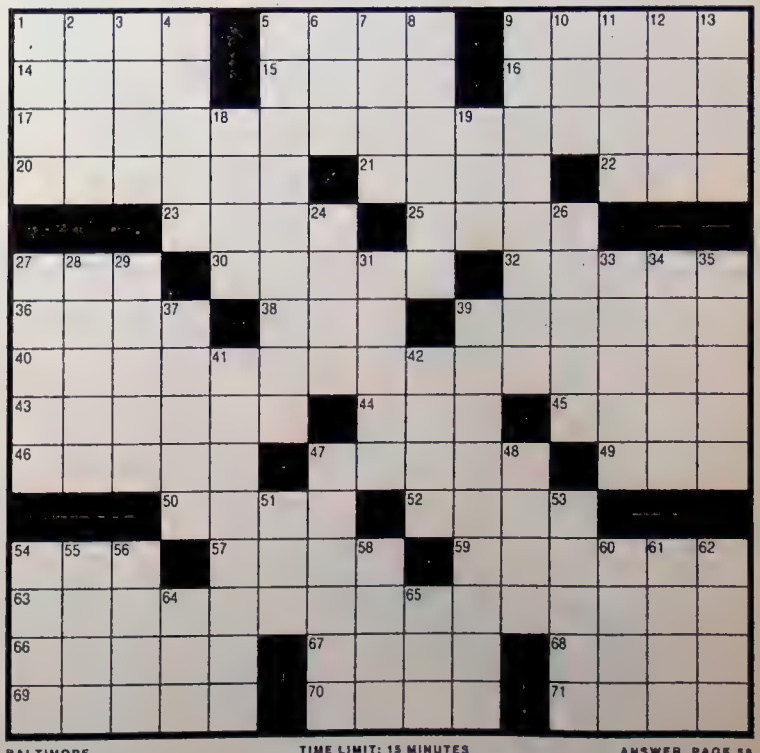
BY WILL SHORTZ

ACROSS

1 Sicilian rumbler
5 Can't stand
9 Pythias's pal
14 Diver Louganis
15 Controversial arms buyer
16 Scientific discipline
17 Elvis Presley flick of '62
20 Kiss
21 "___ We Got Fun?"
22 Wedding-announcement word
23 Streetcorner sign
25 *And ___ Goes* (Linda Ellerbee book)
27 Mont Blanc, for instance
30 Unexpressed
32 *Mary Tyler Moore Show* spinoff
36 Fifties bombshell Diana
38 Kvetch
39 Fishing nets
40 Song from *The Student Prince*
43 Slot-machine fruit
44 Seven, on a sundial
45 10 cc, perhaps
46 Follow
47 Madonna's in-laws
49 Actor Beatty
50 Place for a *chapeau*
52 A long time
54 Comments from the hard of hearing
57 Butter bits
59 Old wine in new bottles
63 Large national sorority
66 Used Elmer's
67 It may be hit or raised
68 "Terrible" Russian
69 World War I battle site
70 Dick and Jane's dog
71 Starr and Kyser

DOWN

1 Grade A purchases
2 Fit
3 Pianist Peter
4 All lit up
5 Scottish scenery
6 Onassis's nickname
7 Scarlett's mansion
8 Volunteer
9 Pooped
10 *Arabian Nights* first name
11 "Rise up so early in the ___ . . ."
12 Girl-watch
13 Wall St. org.
18 Jazz singing
19 ___-Cone (summer snack)
24 1980 Chrysler debut
26 Show place?
27 Confuse
28 *Sophia* author
29 Puts on a proper face
31 "Uncle!"
33 Peel it and weep
34 Not too clever
35 Tried to find out
37 Pig's nose
39 Hospital recovery?
41 Cagers' protection
42 Pinta's partner
47 Actress/singer Bernadette
48 Tournament ranking
51 Little bit
53 Role for Valentino
54 Nervous
55 Shortest-titled # 1 Beatles tune
56 Libel
58 Be messy
60 Thomas ___ Edison
61 Hang around
62 Brinker of fiction
64 Start of a drive?
65 Overmuch



BALTIMORE — TIME LIMIT: 15 MINUTES — ANSWER, PAGE 58

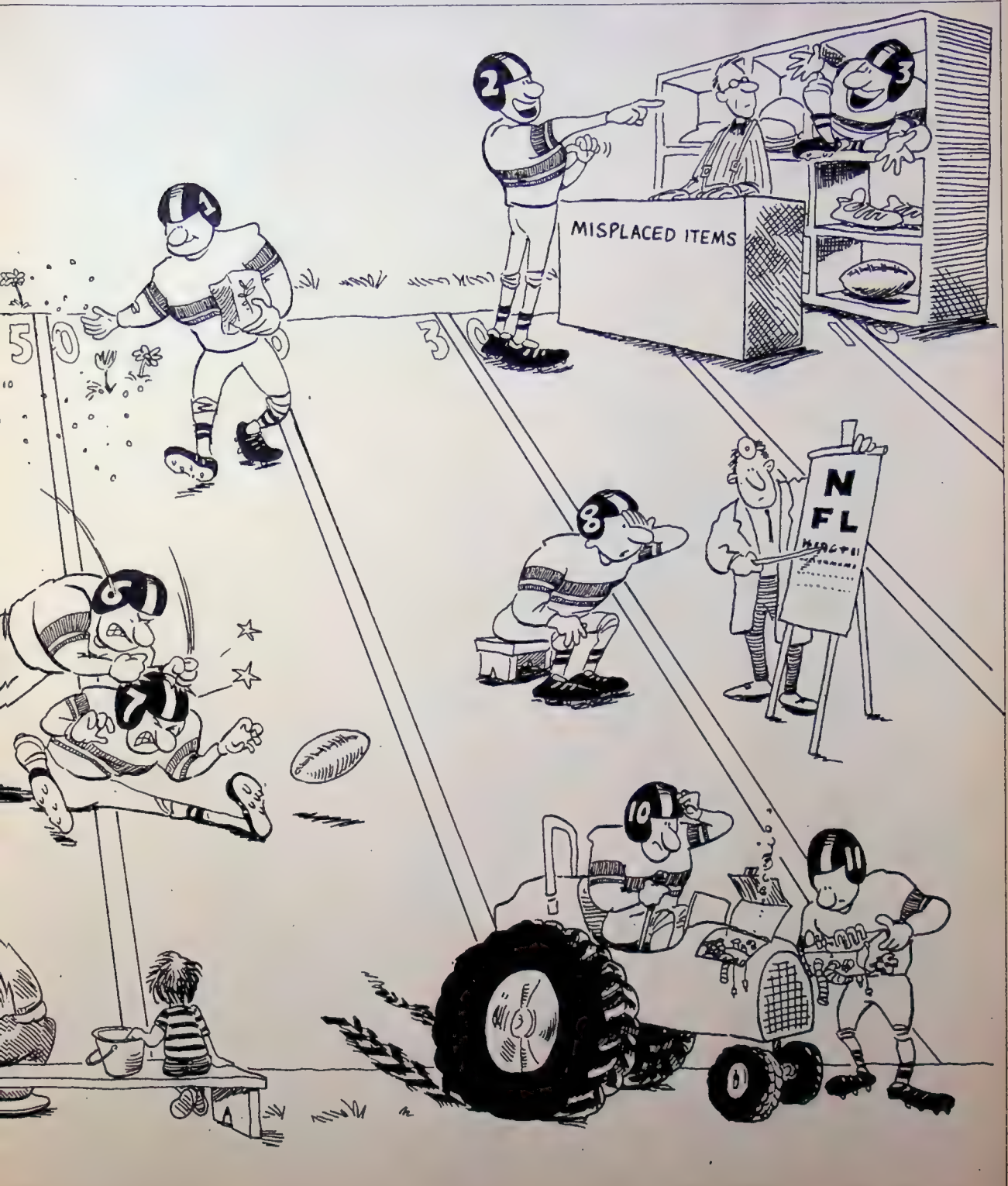
DON CHRISTENSEN

PRO TEST ★☆

Time out while some pros take the field. As you can quickly see, however, this is not your ordinary 11-man team. Each of these football players represents a word beginning with the syllable PRO-. For example, player A, who's been benched for excessive punning, illustrates the word PROSCRIBE (pro scribe), while the equally guilty player B, sitting next to him, is PROLONGING. How many of the other answers among this profusion of pros can you provide?

ANSWERS, PAGE 58

WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY ROBERT LEIGHTON



DSZQUPHSBNT! ★☆

BY ROBERT LEIGHTON

Below are seven messages—consisting of pithy sayings, fascinating facts, and a cartoon gag—that have been translated into simple cipher alphabets. Letter substitutions remain constant throughout any one cipher, but change from one cipher to the next, and the level of difficulty increases as you progress. An asterisk (*) indicates a proper noun or title.

Clues are given at the bottom of the page to provide assistance if you need it. ANSWERS, PAGE 60

1. CRYPTOON

WX QXWBSY PTDG SRSYLDGS
PKFS DG GX SRTKZGPDWM!
D'HS ASSW QKPLTDWM DP
XW "CKGP CXYQKYB"!

2. GOOD GRIEF

Y NYWXEEJAGX AG GEDOEJO
TKE KYG XE PWYT XKO
GYDO XKAJL PYU YMXOW
PYU YMXOW PYU TAXKEIX
WOZOYXAJL KADGOCM.—
*NKYWCOG *GNKICS

3. FALSE ETYMOLOGY

UIDQGYGW QI HIHRJYG
XNJKNO, *DNT *ANGFNW KF
DIQ UYJJNP "*QLN *MYGPND
*FQYQN" XNUYRFN IO YJJ
QLN KDPRFQGKYJ "HJYDQF"
QLNGN.

4. BACK FROM THE FUTURE

PU YPOW YJSFWN OSXCPVWZ
GPNN KVW ASR TW PVFWVYWA,
GKENAV'Y ZKOWKVW CSFW
YKNA EZ YCW VWGZ SNJWSAR?

5. SEEING RED?

ZHIHCWMXJWHG HU HIV
UWIFQ SXQ RHGT JHH UXC
KWJS CTZTGJ CTCTITXQTQ
QAZS XQ "*YIAT *YTXAJL"
XGV "*RCTTG *ZSCWQJFXQ."

6. NEW WAVES

LKUAUX LUQRUL: LJI HUKWL
WVGY DUPTIQ LV RI
RKVXQPXWL VG *F*L*A BXW
LULZIQ "*AUQIV *TUZZIQ LJI
*KXQUV *WLXK."

7. BIRTH OF THE BLUES

LKHIQXV ATORKH-OQ-ZK,
AQDDQMJLB VJBLV DTZKDKY.
"YKDJIKHJKV," HXVRKV
GHKBLTLO MJAK OQ
RQVGJOTD DQTYJLB YQSE.

TIPS AND CLUES

Cipher 1: The only common word with ciphertext pattern D'HS is I'VE.
Cipher 2: The one-letter word is A. Also note the repetition of words 12-14-16 and 13-15. What familiar phrase does this pattern suggest?
Cipher 3: Compare cipherText QLN and QLNGN. These are likely to represent the common words THE and THERE.
Cipher 4: Cipherlext W, appearing last or next-to-last in nine words, is a good bet to be an E.
Cipher 5: Cipherlext XGV, appearing between two titles, is likely to represent AND.
Cipher 6: Repeated cipherlext ending -IO represents plaintext -ED.
Cipher 7: The five vowels, A through U, are represented by J, K, Q, T, and X, but not necessarily in that order.

KEITH BENDIS

THE YEAR IN CROSSWORD TOURNAMENTS

North Jersey winner Ripstein and her "trophy"—a giant eraser

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Second Annual Crossword Open, held last February in Baltimore, Maryland. It was his second victory there, in a field of 50, bringing his total wins in all contests to six (a record). Rosen's only mistake at Baltimore occurred in a difficult playoff puzzle by GAMES associate editor Mike Shenk. He filled in CONSOLE instead of CONDOLE for the clue "Show sympathy." Both answers fit, but only DIMS satisfied the Across clue, "Turns down."

Twenty-three solvers competed in the debut Florida Suncoast Crossword Fest in Tampa Bay in April, the first crossword tournament ever held in the South. Joe Clonick, a 50-year-old composer from New York City, took the $500 first prize. The six puzzles he mastered included one in which the only vowel in the answer grid was A, and another (page 34) with an unusual and tricky rebus theme. Clonick, curiously, is one of the few top solvers at this year's tournaments whose profession does not involve computers or mathematics.

Another math person—a statistician, to be exact—won the Third Annual North Jersey Crossword Open, held in Hackensack, New Jesey, in June. Ellen Ripstein, 34, defeated a field of 85 to win $500 and the first-place "trophy"—

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North Jersey Top Five

1. Ellen Ripstein ..... Statistician
2. George Henschel ..... Attorney
3. Jon Delfin ..... Pianist
4. Mike Wilhelm ..... Computer Analyst
5. Steve Tice ..... Data Processor

TRINITY QUARTET ★★

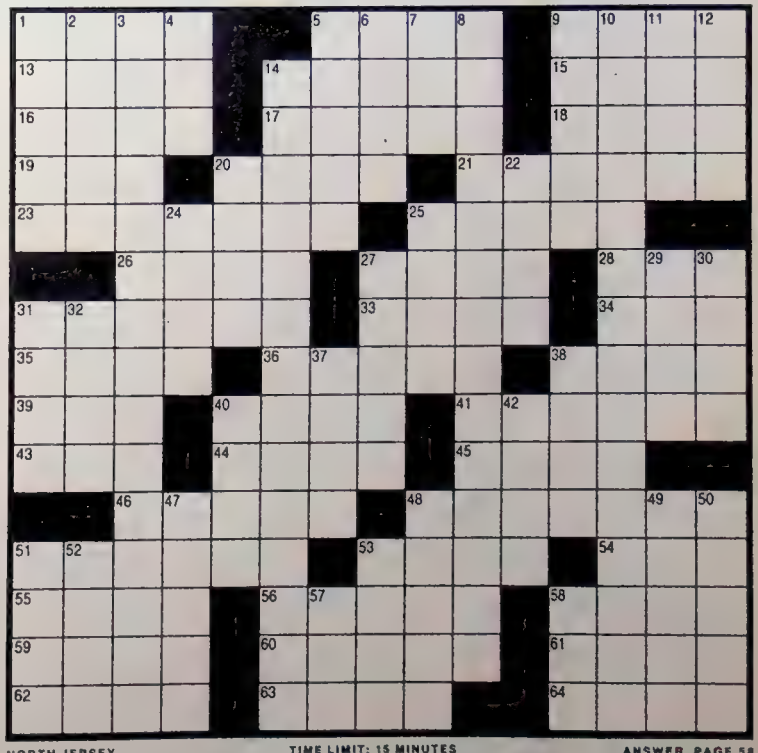
BY WILLIAM HENDRICKS

ACROSS

1 "Hell ___ no fury ..."
5 Piper, perhaps
9 "Ma, He's Making Eyes ___"
13 Wimbledon winner in '75
14 Biblical exchange unit?
15 National League stadium
16 Wiry
17 "Katie Went to ___" (Cole Porter tune)
18 Resort prohibition, often
19 It hangs by the neck
20 Softball?
21 Din
23 They're spotted in the wild
25 Ike's opponent
26 Ocean sound
27 Stash
28 Frost bite
31 Tony
33 Early explorer
34 *What's ___?* (crossword history book)
35 Macho man
36 Optics prop
38 An NCO
39 Dairy spheroid
40 It can make the grade
41 Thrills
43 Sinbad's bird
44 Lite-beer ad word
45 Son of Spain
46 How to pack fish
48 Utah performing clan
51 Lifework
53 Castor, to Pollux
54 Joe III's predecessor
55 Circular sections
56 University of Maine town
58 Cohort of Ruth, Henry and JoAnne
59 Lopsided win
60 Part of NOW
61 *Educating* ___ ('85 film)
62 Call the shots
63 Berle's theme, "___ You"
64 Weirdo

DOWN

1 Must
2 Savory jelly
3 Indoor attraction
4 "Wait a minute!"
5 Flies high
6 Pageboy, perhaps
7 Giant with 511 homers
8 Depth
9 Licensing grp.
10 "Tom Dooley" singers
11 Dole (out)
12 Colorado, from Utah
14 Horseracing coup
20 First name in lexicography
22 Obi-Wan portrayer
24 Key holder
25 What snobs put on
27 Skater Carol
29 *Picnic* playwright
30 Calls' colleagues
31 *Mask* star
32 Science-fiction award
37 Pretense
38 ___' War
40 Ballet bend
42 Delineate
47 Bird houses
48 Title holder
49 Likewise
50 Pipe up
51 Auto part, for short
52 Slangy suffix
53 Anti-drug crusader David
57 Richard the unidentified
58 Indiana Jones's discovery



NORTH JERSEY — TIME LIMIT: 15 MINUTES — ANSWER, PAGE 58

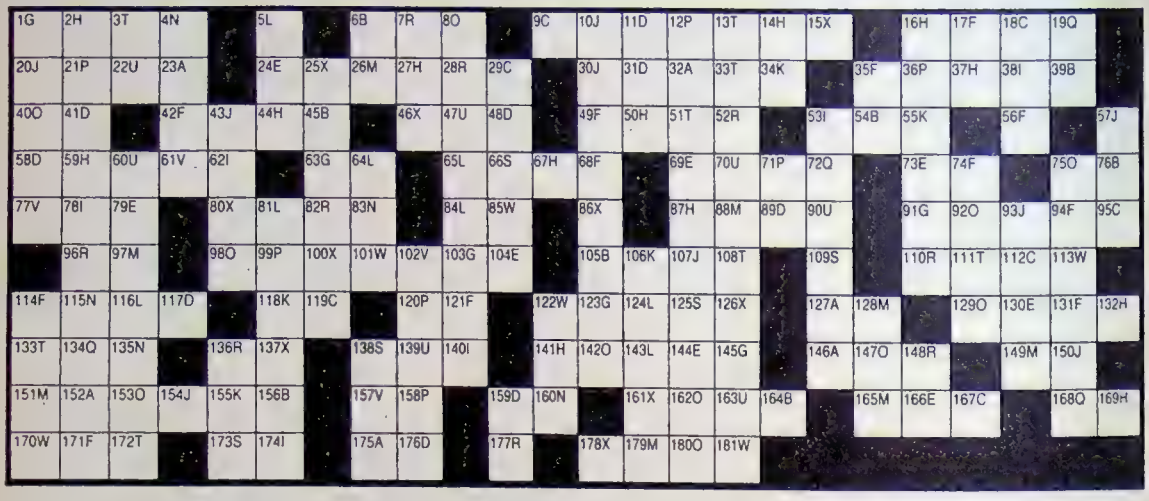
WILL SHORTZ

DOUBLE CROSS ★★

BY MICHAEL ASHLEY

Answer the clues for words to be entered on the numbered dashes. Then transfer the letters on the dashes to the correspondingly numbered squares in the puzzle grid to spell a quotation reading from left to right. Black squares separate words in the quotation. Work back and forth between grid and word list to complete the puzzle. When you are done, the initial letters of the words in the word list will spell the author's name and the source of the quotation.

ANSWER, PAGE 55



A. The Sandwich Islands, today — 23 32 127 146 152 175

B. Europe, Asia, and Africa (2 wds.) — 54 164 156 6 76 39 105 45

C. Veneered building material — 9 18 29 95 112 119 167

D. Starkly simple — 89 117 31 159 41 176 58 11 48

E. William Hurt film of 1986 (with "F") — 24 69 73 79 104 130 144 166

F. See Clue "E" (4 wds.) — 17 74 56 35 171 42 68 121 131 49 94 114

G. Creator of integral and differential calculus — 123 103 1 91 63 145

H. Nickname for Notre Dame (2 wds.) — 87 67 141 2 37 44 14 16 132 59 50 27 169

I. Shoelace hole — 38 53 62 78 140 174

J. Luke, of *Star Wars* — 57 154 30 20 43 10 107 150 93

K. Connected hotel rooms — 34 55 106 118 155

L. Very close friend — 5 64 65 81 84 116 124 143

M. Silky headwear (2 wds.) — 26 151 128 88 165 149 179 97

N. Impoverished — 4 83 115 135 160

O. 1986 Soviet emigré Anatoly — 8 40 153 92 129 142 162 147 98 180 75

P. Capital of Washington — 99 71 12 120 158 21 36

Q. Stocking stuffers? — 19 72 134 168

R. He played Fish on *Barney Miller* (2 wds.) — 7 28 52 82 96 110 136 148 177

S. Half of Hispaniola — 66 109 125 138 173

T. General survey of a situation — 111 133 3 33 51 13 108 172

U. Desdemona's murderer — 70 22 139 90 47 163 60

V. Large African antelope — 61 77 102 157

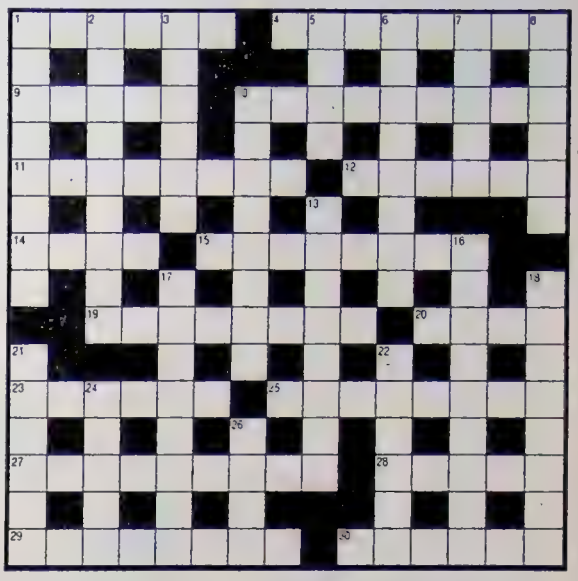
W. Withstand through time — 85 101 113 122 170 181

X. Robert DeNiro Oscar-winning film (2 wds.) — 25 86 15 46 137 80 161 100 126 178

CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS ★★★

Each clue in a cryptic crossword contains two parts: a definition of the answer and a second description of it through wordplay. Finding the dividing point between parts is the key to solving. Watch for anagrams, hidden words, charades of two or more smaller words, and other language tricks. Puzzle 2 is harder than Puzzle 1. ANSWERS, PAGE 56

PUZZLE 1 BY FRASER SIMPSON



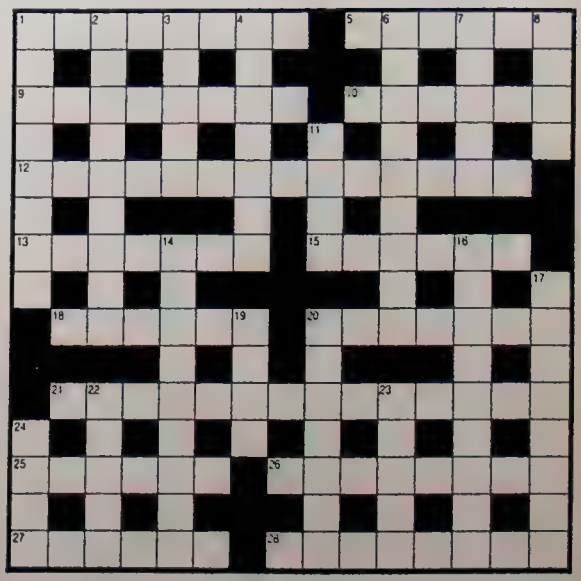
ACROSS

1 Buccaneer stumbling at pier (6)
4 Insect for months at South American capital (8)
9 First appearance of *Rolling Stone* (5)
10 Janitor wildly cautions about 500 (9)
11 Mafia man in robbery is a pleasure-seeker (8)
12 Young cat found in tool box 10 (6)
14 Bite insect back (4)
15 Like father, terribly parental (8)
19 Navigation devices still existing in southern ship's bow (8)
20 Change I'm to ignore (4)
23 Steamy trains to travelers' lodgings (6)
25 Instrumental prelude is plain and pure after the beginning (8)
27 Cataract swirling after breaking wall (9)
28 Fabrics with bad smell returned (5)
29 Heaven is surrounded by procession (8)
30 Evil fellow captures Resistance's chief ally (6)

DOWN

1 Pronounced gains for soothsayers (8)
2 Tenants' side in leases (9)
3 Got tin prepared for hauling (6)
5 Evict occupant using second tenant's initials (4)
6 Answer to division problem not quite solved (8)
7 I do it incorrectly, being a moron (5)
8 Having property in town in Germany (6)
10 *Robinson Crusoe* actors on vacation? (8)
13 Last five horses around jamboree (8)
16 Beheaded cousin found in green car (9)
17 Searched for former communist around Arafat's organization (8)
18 Upside-down cakes emphasized (8)
21 How filling to eat and make an appearance (4,2)
22 Stock seller out of cash? Right (6)
24 Egyptian king or teacher (5)
26 Damages a planet (4)

PUZZLE 2 BY MERL REAGLE



ACROSS

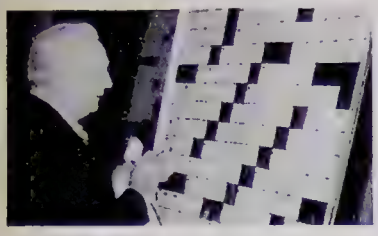
1 McEnroe smashed Yannick's first service (8)
5 The essence of great tackles! (6)
9 Trio sang in pieces from Bach, for example (8)
10 Undergarment labels to indicate weaves (6)
12 Soldier in dress, perhaps! (14)
13 Heartfelt attention to cozy home (7)
15 Complacently make faces in *Crazy Like a Fox* (6)
18 Trial or transaction (6)
20 Flat area of denture with gold (7)
21 Big problem: K Car with bed (plain) and front part of headrest installed backwards (4,3,2,5)
25 Drives with STP oil mixture (6)
26 Let Harpo cut up to excess (8)
27 Coats for chickens? (6)
28 Debut of Band Aid's musicians (8)

DOWN

1 Crude oil spills becoming more mysterious (8)
2 Teri Garr's playing a school official (9)
3 Outspoken digger of small potatoes (5)
4 Young one upset over smell (7)
6 "Ultra Tan" misused by a fellow with hairy legs? (9)
7 A section of Radio Shack is closing in Mexico (5)
8 Smack monkey with skis (4)
11 A record's high points? (4)
14 Letters from Notre Dame text editor (9)
16 Bandleader Brown holds chord for actor (3,6)
17 Raise bare amount of furry rodents (8)
19 Bumbler is left exposed (4)
20 O'Brien sitting on Fitzgerald's kneecap (7)
22 Shout to one up a back street (5)
23 Mentions locations to the audience (5)
24 Gem shows love to friend (4)

For tips on solving cryptic crosswords, send a stamped return envelope to: "Cryptic Solving Guide," GAMES, 810 Seventh Avenue, New York, NY 10019.

THE YEAR IN CROSSWORD TOURNAMENTS



Just 13 minutes 9 seconds—the time it took William Lutwiniak to create an original crossword at Baltimore

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a giant eraser. The most unusual puzzle of the tournament was called "Sweet Smell of Success" by S. E. Wilkinson. Before the round, tournament director Stanley Newman announced that there would be a surprise in the puzzle. That surprise consisted of 11 unclued answers, which, solvers had to discover (for bonus points), were the names of ingredients in chocolate chip cookies. After the puzzle, the contestants were treated to Wilkinson's own chocolate chip cookies, shipped from her home in Charlotte, North Carolina, using the ingredients found in her puzzle!

While the judges scored the puzzles on the basis of accuracy and speed at

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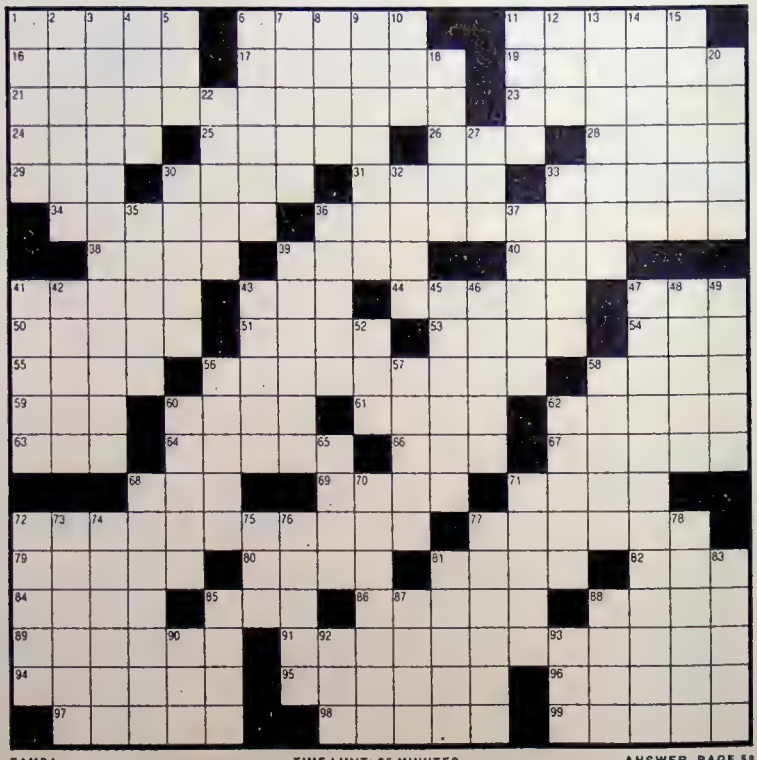
Tampa Top Five

1. Joseph Clonick..... Composer
2. Arthur Whelan ..... Math Teacher
3. Jeanette Brennan .... Accounting Asst.
4. Stan Kurzban .....Computer Scientist
5. Judy Perlow .....Secretary

HOLDING PATTERN ★★★

BY RONNIE ALLEN



TAMPA — TIME LIMIT: 35 MINUTES — ANSWER, PAGE 58

ACROSS

1 French underground
6 Turkish honorific
11 "Whatever Lola ___ . . ."
16 Earth tone
17 Returns
19 Scrubs, at Canaveral
21 Blue
23 Poe-tic lady
24 Wimbledon champ, '56-57
25 Battery terminal
26 Famed pharaoh
28 Plaintiff
29 French seasoning
30 Affirm
31 Spin in Virginia?
33 Sweetie pie
34 Worked overtime
36 Eleventh-hour repair
38 So-so blond?
39 Part of the OED
40 A Dickens of an expletive?
41 Xavier Cugat's ex
43 Vacation Club
44 Hawk's rattle?
47 However, shortly
50 Sour car deal
51 Fall birthstone
53 Fall behind?
54 Bunny keeper?
55 Not "fer"
56 Benny's theme
58 Bombard
59 Owner of *Alice*'s restaurant
60 Off the wall
61 Wheels of fortune?
62 Ransack
63 Thickness
64 Nincompoops
66 Made one's mark
67 Tear-jerker
68 Class of '87, in '87
69 Letting anyone play
71 Mephistopheles's currency
72 Standout
77 Bar mitzvah site
79 Friend from way back
80 Walloon wise words
81 Neat as a pin
82 Underwear initials
84 C&W's Coolidge
85 High explosive
86 Book back
88 Madison Avenue award
89 Hercule's creator
91 Fait accompli
94 Attack, as a mosquito
95 Crocodile Dundee, for one
96 ___ *de Mayo*
97 Cozy nooks
98 Oh, to be in Barcelona!
99 Roosevelt's Interior Secretary

DOWN

1 Flame victims
2 Reverberates
3 Archie's place
4 Sly Foxx
5 El Dorado's treasure
6 Won, like Hulk Hogan
7 Conjunction of choice
8 Run before a gale
9 In an epic manner
10 Current qty.
11 "Song of Myself" self
12 Justice Fortas
13 Standout
14 Low pressure area
15 Jet, for one
18 Singer Simon
20 Grenoble greenhouse
22 Vacillate
27 Last: Abbr.
30 *Par* ___
32 Packs it away
33 Maze entrance
35 Burr
36 Of ebb and flow
37 Girder
39 Kick out
41 OR request
42 Dialectic philosopher
43 Lobster cycles
45 Monkey's uncles?
46 Hover in the henhouse
47 Test format
48 Common greeting
49 Regularly
52 Stereotypical surprise bridge-table victor, for short
56 Ezio Pinza and others
57 Foxy female
58 Poster girl
60 Full of froth
62 Spacious
65 Linda Ellerbee's *And ___ Goes*
68 Law bodies
70 Own
71 Passover feast
72 ". . . if like ___ you could go backward": *Hamlet*
73 *The ___ of Species*
74 Marked by spots
75 K-O connection
76 "Whole ___ Shakin' Goin' On"
77 More like Tim Cratchit
78 Manifest
81 Shin
83 Fuddy-duddies
85 Copies Gregory Hines
87 Not present
88 Stylish
90 Pizza ___
92 Cry's counterpart
93 7th century opener

WILL SHORTZ

POLISH YOUR WITS ★☆

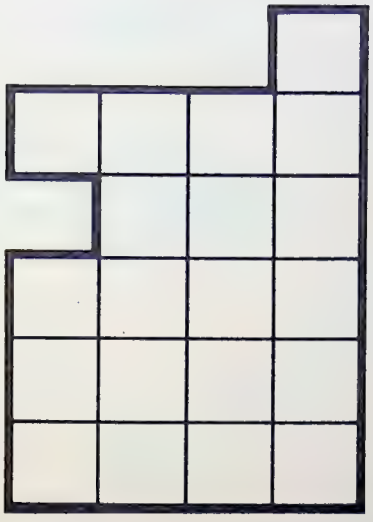
BY MAREK PENSZKO

Three old puzzle genres—a figure puzzle, a numerical puzzle, and a logic problem—have been freshened up with new twists by our Warsaw correspondent. How many of them can you crack?

ANSWERS, PAGE 60

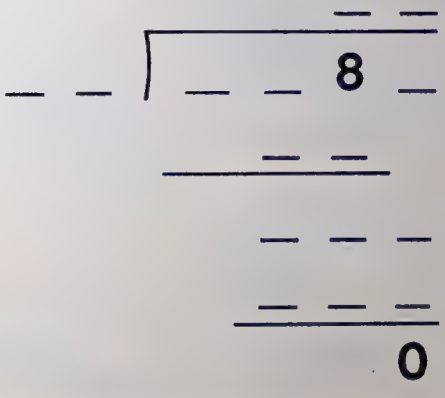
1. NOT EVEN CHALLENGING

Can you divide the figure below into five pieces, each containing four squares, and with no two pieces having the same shape? (Shapes that can be made identical by rotations or reflection are not allowed.)



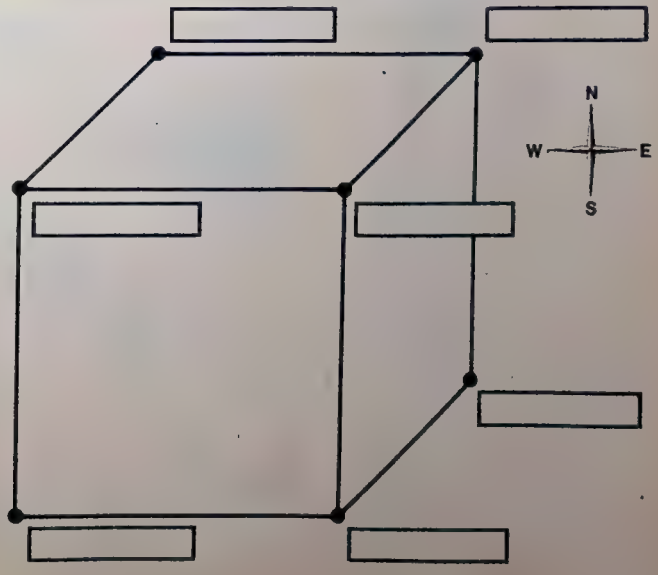
2. NOT EVEN CHALLENGING

In the division problem below, most of the digits have been removed and replaced by dashes. It would be easy to put them back *except* that all of the missing digits are odd! Can you reconstruct the division?



3. JUST FLIGHTS

The traveling saleswoman drew the flight paths that connected her hometown (Ciechanow) and the six cities she planned to visit, and smiled when the lines formed a drawing of a cube. But the smile disappeared when she realized there was no direct flight between any two consecutive cities on her list. If Lublin is southeast of Ciechanow, and Kaluszyn is east of the city where she gets the most orders, where must the seven cities appear on the map?



Itinerary:

1. Ciechanow (starting point)
2. Kaluszyn
3. Czestochowa
4. Lublin
5. Kutno
6. Bransk
7. Sandomierz
8. Ciechanow (finish)

THE YEAR IN CROSSWORD TOURNAMENTS

At Stamford, Michelle Arnot in the shirt the well-appointed puzzler wears

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each of the tournaments, the contestants were entertained with word games and puzzle demonstrations.

At Stamford, the contestants were divided into four-person teams and competed in a crossword relay. Every 30 seconds the relay puzzle had to be passed to the next solver on the team.

At North Jersey, the contestants played "Do That Charade!", a combination of charades and TV's *Name That Tune*, in which players bid for the right to perform the answers. Robin Landis, of Ridgewood, New Jersey, brought down the house when she bid just five seconds for the musical *Jesus Christ Superstar* and successfully got her teammates to guess the answer within that time.

And at Baltimore, veteran crossword constructor William Lutwiniak gave a public demonstration of his puzzle-making skills. Contestants gave him four starting 10-letter words. He then proceeded to create a 15 x 15 square answer grid in 13 minutes 9 seconds, orally explaining his procedure and techniques at each step of the way. Coming up with the clues took another 3 minutes. Normally a 15 x 15 crossword takes an experienced constructor two to four hours to make.

For comparison purposes, contestant performances for all the tournament puzzles in this issue appear with the answers, page 58. —W. S.

Stamford Top Five

1. David Rosen.....Computer Analyst
2. Ellen Ripstein .....Statistician
3. Ed Bethea .....Social Worker
4. Douglas Hoylman.....Actuary
5. Jon Delfin.....Pianist

FOR THE MONEY ★★★

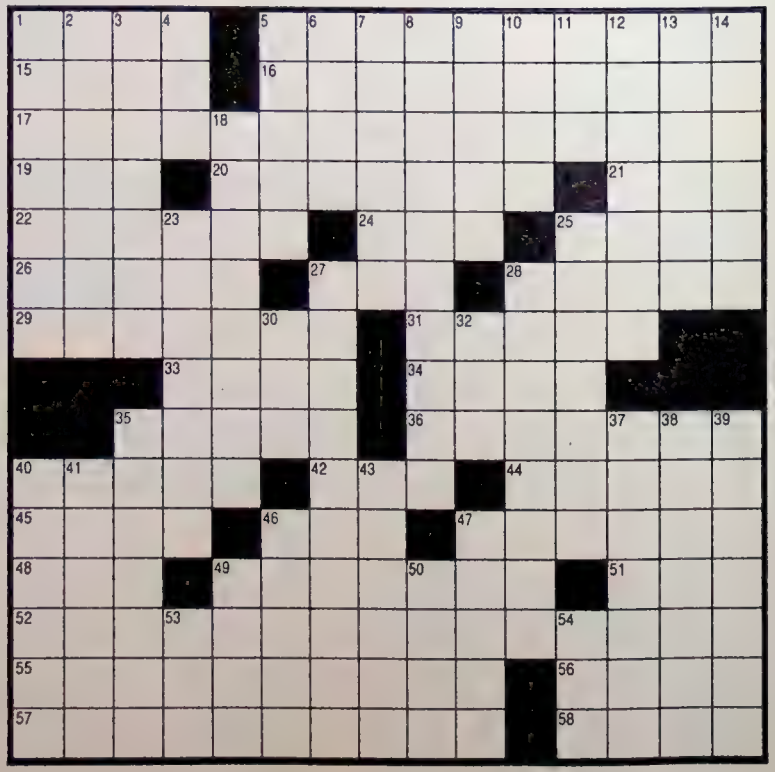
BY MIKE SHENK

ACROSS

1 "Clue" clue
5 Part of a 1775 code
15 Deep blue
16 Idle
17 To be expected
19 Cryptogrammist's org.
20 Takes a turn
21 Lightweight boxer?
22 Foolish affection
24 "Ramblin' Rose" singer, familiarly
25 Line at the barbershop?
26 End-all
27 Ten-cent picture?
28 Diamond points
29 Operatic flourish
31 Says "one club," perhaps
33 Tommy Flanagan offerings
34 Bear up?
35 Historic mountain climber
36 Having teeth
40 Black out
42 Do not pass
44 Revolution diplomat Silas
45 Step on it!
46 Sloth, e.g.
47 A good one has a happy medium
48 Nancy Hanks's son
49 Bach offering
51 Ford Sterling comic
52 Cellophane-making need
55 Campaign aides
56 Cask settlings
57 Ross, for one
58 D.A. type

DOWN

1 Famed Haitian honcho
2 More than asleep
3 Illegal, in a way
4 Pole laborer
5 Pang
6 Volt × ampere
7 Present
8 Hit Beach Boys boast
9 Aspect
10 Part of many co. names
11 Puzzle solver
12 One-up
13 Nail down
14 Whizzes
18 Sunday player?
23 For an eternity
25 Greek goddess of healing
27 *Berlin Alexanderplatz* director
28 Car salesman's promise
30 Dial omission
32 One who's drafted
35 Capitoline Hill statue
37 Take these with you, for crying out loud!
38 Writes in machine language
39 Like the Marianas Trench
40 Scrap
41 Song greeting the dawn
43 Eventually
46 Sacred, once
47 Uses a phaser on
49 Pen residents
50 Enzymes
53 C-R-A-S-H!
54 Key setting: Abbr.

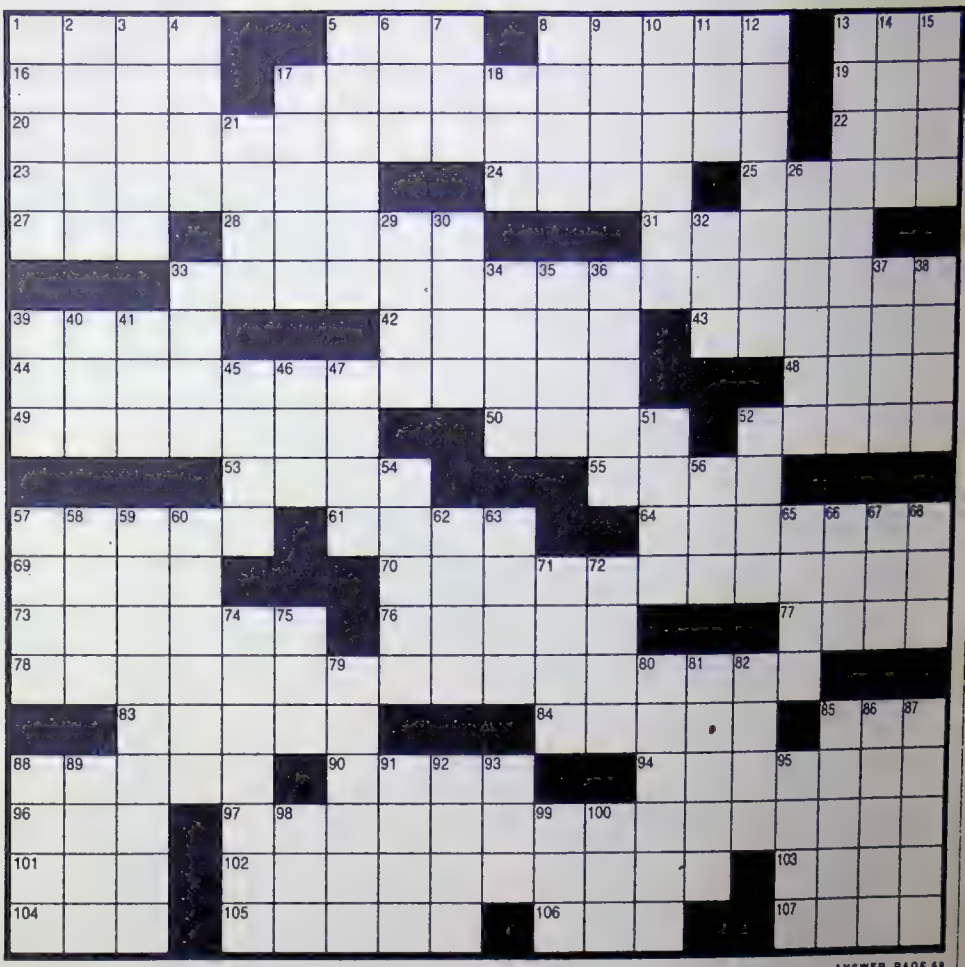


STAMFORD — TIME LIMIT: 15 MINUTES — ANSWERS, PAGE 58

DON CHRISTENSEN

MOONLIGHTING ★★★

BY MAURA JACOBSON



STAMFORD

TIME LIMIT: 30 MINUTES

ANSWER, PAGE 58

ACROSS

1 Broadway disaster
5 Korean soldier
8 Illuminated
13 Cider-song gal
16 Fourth Mrs Chaplin
17 Film producer who served in Congress?
19 Turn thumbs down
20 Poet who worked as a Roller Derby starter?
22 "There But for You ___"
23 Release the reins
24 Labyrinth
25 Perfumers' choices
27 ___ de mer
28 Garb for a ghost
31 Pulse beat
33 Actor who danced in South Carolina?
39 Hosiery shade
42 Silas Marner's creator
43 Graceland, e.g.
44 Composer who worked in Monte Carlo?
48 Greek Cupid
49 Implore
50 First place
52 French decree
53 Lot of paper
55 Symbol of thinness
57 Capital of Jordan
61 Butter servings
64 USC athletes
69 Afrikaner's dialect
70 Novelist who worked in a Mexican change booth?
73 Snake-charmer's headdress
76 *A Pocket Full ___*
77 Like lightning
78 Premier who cooked on yachts?
83 "When I Take My Sugar ___"
84 Trial's partner
85 Rock band equipment
88 Nora in *The Thin Man*
90 Sled-dog race terminus
94 Rebellious Ethiopian province
96 Dr.'s org.
97 Actress who did laundry?
101 Pierre's roll-call reply
102 Monarch who worked as a wigmaker?
103 Was chauffeured
104 Aykroyd or Rowan
105 Actress Spacek
106 Mornings, for short
107 City founded by Ivan the Terrible

DOWN

1 "Fe, Fi, ___!"
2 Liza's half-sister
3 ___ fours (creeping)
4 Glazier's insert
5 Strip of bacon
6 Lt.'s school
7 *The Birth of a Nation* grp.
8 "I ___ Song Go Out of My Heart"
9 Don Juan's mother
10 Succor—or sucker
11 Salt Lake City player
12 Drug-yielding cacti
13 Drummer who worked as a doorman?
14 St. Laurent's mentor
15 WW2 alliance
17 Baryshnikov's nickname
18 America's uncle
21 Credit's alternative
26 Item for light housekeeping
29 A.C.-D.C. expert
30 Weblike tissue
32 Fidel's sidekick
33 Perkily pretty
34 Successful stud
35 *Wind in the Willows* amphibian
36 Beaver's kin
37 Siouan Indian
38 Hornet's home
39 Reflux
40 Item for Minnesota Fats
41 Some crossings, for short
45 City on the Aar
46 Top of a royal flush
47 Bloke
51 Brussels-based grp.
52 Out of kilter
54 Student's declaration
56 Apr. 15th addressee
57 Abbr. on an envelope
58 Island that's "wowee!"
59 Author who sidelined as an urban graffiti artist?
60 England, poetically
62 Health food of the '80s
63 Hindu "holiness"
65 Mutt's buddy
66 Third king of Judah
67 St. addresses
68 Transatlantic express
71 The Big Board, for short
72 Antelope's playmate
74 The military finds them offensive
75 Scottish refusal
79 Church laws
80 Small streams
81 The Hours, in mythology
82 Singer Clapton
85 Knight's uniform
86 Gettysburg general
87 Instrument board
88 "Downstairs" personage
89 It's "gym dandy"
91 Assns.
92 Acting depressed
93 River to the English Channel
95 "Gave proof ___ the night ..."
98 XIII × IV
99 Front suspension?
100 Abner's partner

ICING ON THE CAKE ★★

BY JOY BAKER

How odd. It's not your birthday, and your anniversary was months ago, yet someone has surprised you by sending you a cake. It looks like there's a message on top, but the baker absent-mindedly delivered the cake already in slices. Without moving the pieces around (except in your head), can you figure out the message—and the occasion? ANSWER, PAGE 55

Escape from the Forest

An Adventure Puzzle by Scott Marley

Illustrated by Joo Chung

★★★

You, Balthus, Wordmaster and Riddleslayer, have escaped from the labyrinthine dungeon (December 1984 GAMES) constructed by the wicked King Logogriffin beneath his dark castle. Logogriffin, who is half man, two-thirds lion, and one quarter unabridged dictionary, has a taste for puzzles of sadistic difficulty. He delights in tormenting his captives with mazes from which few escape with their minds unclouded. ⚄ *You have been clever indeed, but your trials are just beginning. Exiting the dungeon, you find yourself in the middle of the danger-filled forest that surrounds the castle. The only exit is guarded by the fierce and mysterious Sphinx. How can you escape?* ⚄ *You may walk from clearing to clearing only along the paths shown on the map on the following pages, unless otherwise directed. As you wander, you will find the coins and other objects shown. You should pick these up and take them with you, for they may be useful in your adventure. You may revisit a clearing as often as you like (but its contents may be taken only once; you cannot get more when you enter the clearing a second time). You may not pass through some of the clearings until you have satisfied certain conditions, as noted on the scrolls around the map. Beware! Some clearings contain magical objects and dangerous creatures, also described in the scrolls. Can you find your way out of the forest?* ⚄ *Answer, page 56*

FOR A MAP OF THE FOREST, TURN THE PAGE . . .

"Pickin' peas, pickin' peas, that's our business, pickin' peas!" sing the peaceful peasants on this pearly isle. "Bring us a ramp and we'll make it a ram; bring us a propman and we'll make him a Roman. We'll even pay you 10 pengos per pea we take."
"Ark rides, 10 pengos!" hollers the elderly man on the shore. "Brand new ark, only been used once!" For 10 pengos you may ride the ark from here to the island and back to any point along the coast. But once you return to the mainland, the ark may not be taken out for another boat ride.
H!alf-buried you find a
YMOV
YHLU
XMDP
XHLA
HDU'
STEEP PATH: ONE WAY
FIVE 5 PENGOS
TEN 10 PENGOS
FIVE 5 PENGOS
"You bring me the materials an' I can build jusht about anything," brags the somewhat intoxicated beaver with a toothy grin. "I'll turn a CAR an' a PET into a CARPET, or even make a PEN, a TAG, an' a RAM into a PENTAGRAM! Only you gotta bring me shomething to drink firsht. None of that shoda pop, neither. It'sh gotta be booze."
A petal-strewn path winds through the Logogriffin's enchanted rose garden. One living rose plucked from the garden is rumored to give the picker the power to ask any one creature to do his or her bidding. Unfortunately, the rosebush is so covered with thorns that it is impossible to pick the flowers with bare hands.

uried in a pile of rocks
a scrap of paper that reads:

OVJW AOM UHHXM
LUWMPX UVMX T
GPMA ALJJMU OMTWVJC
LAODMXA AH AOM
U'X GUMTPVJC.

"I *am the Wizard Anagrammaticus," exclaims the inhabitant of this clearing. "I have the amazing power of changing objects into their anagrams. For example, I can turn a fowl into a wolf, or a Croatian into a raincoat.*

"I charge 25 pengos for the use of this wonderful power!"

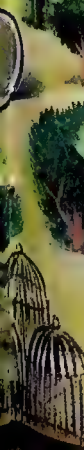
In this clearing lurks Znopx the Ogre, a ferocious but music-loving creature. Znopx will tear to pieces anyone entering this clearing, unless he is entranced by the melody of a songbird. If you have with you a songbird, you may pass safely.

In the middle of this clearing grows a lush and rare tree that bears four types of fruit. The fruitpickers invite you to take one fruit of your choice from the tree.

START

"I *am the legendary Sphinx," declares the beast blocking the exit from the forest. "To pass by, you must show me the object whose name is the answer to this riddle."*

To seem to lead a wealthy life
You do me to your fork and knife;
At breakfast, dinner, lunch, or tea,
Your fork and knife go next to me.
On every limousine you'll find
I'm there in front, I'm there behind.
But though from base to base you roam
You'll always find me back at home.



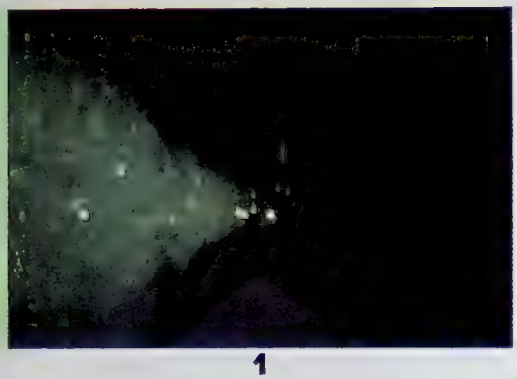
"Magic *cages!" shouts the dwarf peddler. "Only 5 pengos for a magic birdcage, bub. Birds don't come near ya otherwise, but with one of these models you can trap a bird and take it anywheres with ya. Even works on owls (though of course they don't sing)."*

WHAT ARE THESE OBJECTS?

CLUES

1 "As Time Goes By"
2 "Lean on Me"
3 True Grit
4 Makes the train run?
5 Ground round
6 Temperature's rising
7 Shade source

ANSWERS, PAGE 58



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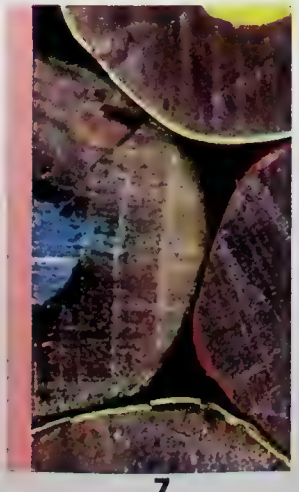

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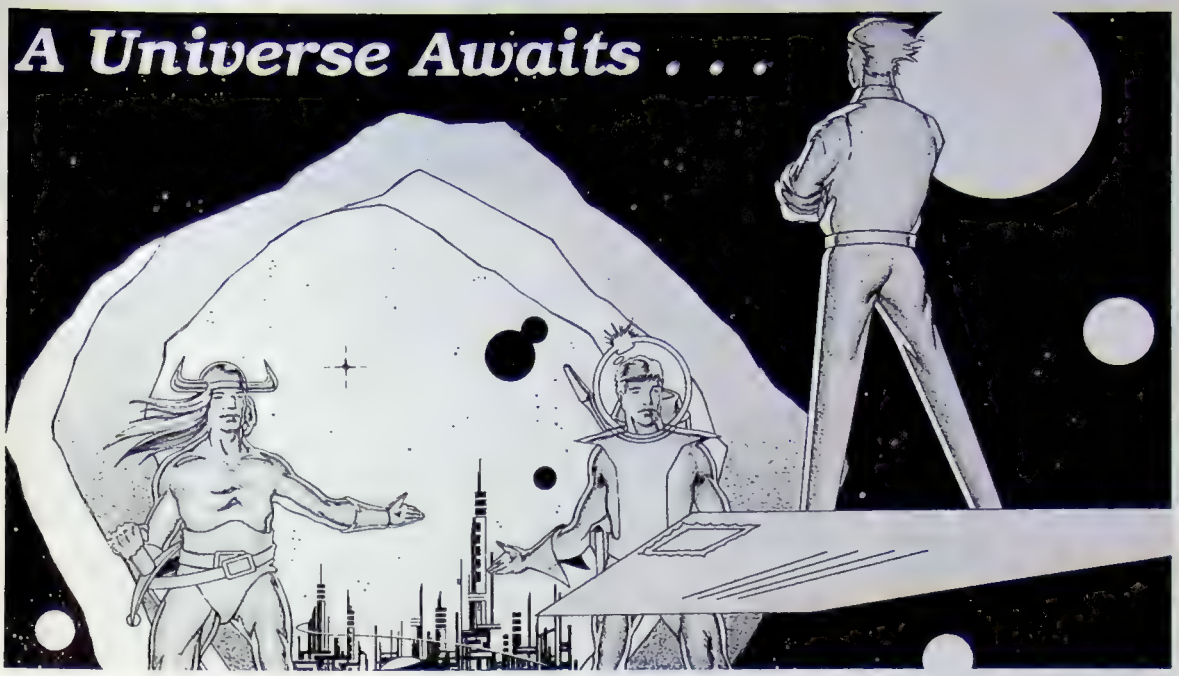
A Universe Awaits . . .



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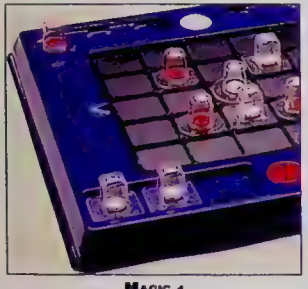

MAGIC 4

SUPER CHESS

SCEPTRE 1027 A.D.

THE BEST GAM

1987 Favorites of the Editors of

Each holiday season since 1980, GAMES has published a special article reviewing our editors' favorite games. This year, instead of selecting 100 top games both old and new, we are concentrating on games introduced within the last year (or, in some cases games which have only recently become widely available).

Of course, many of the best games on the market today are more than a year old. Last year's "The Games 100" feature contained reviews of over 100 of these excellent older games. For a photocopy of that feature, send a self-addressed stamped envelope with 56 cents postage to: 1986 Games 100, GAMES Magazine, 810 Seventh Avenue, New York, NY 10019.

Retail prices given here are approximate, and will vary from store to store. Some games are also available from their manufacturers by mail. For those games, the price is followed by the abbreviation "ppd." (for "postpaid"). Mail order information appears on page 49.

Children's games are not included here, but we'll have a special feature on them in the next issue. This article, however, does include games that can be enjoyed by the whole family, as well as the usual adult mix of strategy, mystery, party, word, and adventure games.

Words

It's easy to fill a card in **Jitters** (Milton Bradley, $10, 2 or more players); just make the right number of words with the letter cubes. But when you've finished one, do you stop and take your points, or try for another? You score points for every card you complete—more for the harder ones. But if the loudly ticking timer runs out while you're working on a card, you lose all your points for that turn. A nerve-racking but very addictive word game.

Most word games have an element of luck, but **The Next Word** (Decipher, $25 ppd., 2 players) combines wordplay and pure strategy. You take turns finding words in the 6 x 6 grid of letters (randomly set up each game). Words may twist from letter to letter in any direction, but each word must use at least one previously used letter and one new letter. As you make words, you ring the letters with your color, but your opponent can take them back later. When all the letters are used, the player with the most ringed wins.

Form the longest word you can with your letter cubes in **Boggle Bowl** (Parker Bros., $15, 2 players). Then turn over the timer to give your opponent only 10 seconds more to work on *his* word. If your word is longer, you can move the token toward your goal. Sometimes you'll be making two or more words at a time, or a pair of crossing words, depending on which square the token is on. Think fast: The rounds zip by and an entire game can take less than 20 minutes.

Scrabble Brand Word Rummy (Selchow & Righter, $7, 2 or more players) combines anagrams with a scoring system that encourages long words. Play a word from the letters in your hand or add letters to a word already played, rearranging if necessary. Each word formed scores the square of its length; for instance, a five-letter word scores 5 x 5 = 25. If you find the game too easy, try increasing the minimum length of a word to four letters.

Mystery and Deduction

Playing **Ellery Queen's Mystery Magazine Game** (Mayfair Games, $17, or $19 ppd., 1-6 players) is like waking up in a detective novel. You can look for clues at hundreds of locations in Manhattan and the fictitious town of Bromlee Station, or browse through the New York Detective's Guide looking for leads. Five cases are in-

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cluded (any one of which will occupy you for an evening); one supplement is already available, and more are planned.

"The weapons held by Madam Rose and Mrs. Peacock were not murder weapons." It's an easy clue—*if* you remember the scene that goes with it. **Clue II VCR Mystery Game** (Parker Bros, $39, 2 or more players) is part logic puzzle, part memory challenge. Each turn you can get a new clue or refresh your memory by replaying one of the funny, fast-paced scenes. Clues for 18 cases are included. A tip: don't use the identity cards or the interrogation rounds, which just detract from the fun of the rest of the game.

Pure Strategy

Getting four in a row of your color isn't as easy as it looks in **Magic 4** (Discovery Toys, $25, 2 players; see mail order information), a revival of Gabriel's game of Touché. Move a piece to a new square and it might change from red to white or vice versa, thanks to magnets arranged randomly beneath the board each game. The challenge of gradually discovering—and remembering—the pattern of magnets turns a simple idea into a fascinating battle of strategy, bluff, and risk-taking.

Super Chess (Super Chess Inc., $39.95 ppd., 2 players) expands the chessboard to 10 x 10, giving each player four new pieces plus the standard chessmen. Two superpawns are slightly stronger than normal pawns; the archer can capture a piece at a distance by "shooting" it; and the cyclops has limited range, but can capture up to three pieces at a time. As a bonus, the equipment also can be used to play other 10x10 games, such as Grand Chess (see January 1987 GAMES).

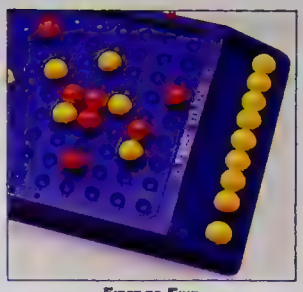
Sceptre 1027 A.D. (Horizon Games, $29.95 ppd., 2-4 players) includes four contrasting armies of chessmen and nine different chessboards showing a variety of terrain. Pieces move as in chess (although pawns and knights have some additional powers), but are affected by the terrain—for example, rooks can enter castle ruins, bishops can enter forests, and knights can enter ponds and streams. Different numbers and arrangements of the chessboards produce different games; we recommend using just four boards at a time.

In **First to Five** (Tedco, $8, 2 players), players take turns placing plastic marbles of their color on the board, trying to form a pattern that looks like the "five" face of a die. Focus too much on small battles and your opponent may make a large five stretching across the whole board. This game should interest fans of five-in-a-row games like Pente, yet it has a flavor all its own.

Highly original, **Lemma** (Kadon, $32 ppd., 1 or more players) is a mind-stretching "meta-game" about creating a game. Without violating some basic ground rules, each player in turn must both perform an "action" on the board (such as placing or moving a piece) and introduce a new rule to the game (which must be illustrated by the action taken). All actions and rules must be consistent with previous rules, and play proceeds until someone cannot find a way to continue. As with other games by Kadon, the rulebook also includes numerous puzzles that make use of the game equipment.

A favorite long-out-of-print game of ours, invented by GAMES contributing editor Sid Sackson, is available at last, and in a very attractive package to boot. In **Bazaar** (Discovery Toys, $16, 2-6 players; see mail order information), you trade jewels of five colors until you can match the combination on one of four "merchandise cards" and buy it. The fewer jewels you have left over when you buy the card, the more points you get, and certain difficult combinations are worth more, too. A keen challenge for nimble minds.

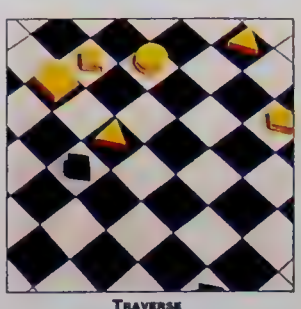
Traverse (Glacier, $19.95 ppd., 2-4 players) is like Chinese checkers gone wild: the wooden pieces come in four shapes, each shape with its own movement rules. Squares, for instance, can't move diagonally; circles are sent back to the starting row if jumped by an opponent. The game rolls up into its own sturdy canvas board, great for tucking into a backpack or beachbag.



FIRST TO FIVE

LEMMA

BAZAAR



TRAVERSE

NO DICE

There's safety in numbers in **No Dice** (Decipher, $13 ppd., 2 players). How far a piece can move is determined not by die roll but by the space it occupies—doubled or tripled if two or three pieces occupy the same column. Two "traps" in the path make things interesting: A single piece can't pass a trap by itself, so you must coordinate your pieces to set up doubled and tripled moves. A game goes very fast, averaging about 10 minutes.

Capture land as you construct a medieval city in **Cathedral** (Mattel, $15, 2 players), a game whose pieces are Gothic buildings of various shapes, played on a 10 x 10 grid. Control territory by surrounding it with your buildings, as long as no more than one enemy building is in the surrounded area. Surrounded buildings are captured, and your opponent can't build in your captured territory. The large Cathedral piece, which belongs to neither player, nicely complicates the tactics.

Questions and Answers

In **Twenty Questions** (University, $27.50 ppd., 2 or more players), players pick a number from 1 to 20 and get one of the 20 clues that hint about the person, place, thing, or year they're trying to guess. The clues are often sneaky ("I have wings but can't fly" is one for ice hockey), and you may need quite a few before you puzzle out the mystery. The sooner you guess correctly, the farther you advance around the board, but the game is just as much fun if you ignore the board and simply take turns guessing. Clue cards for 400 items are included.

Ever wonder about the value of Liz's diamond or the price of a bulletproof chinchilla jacket? If your guesses are close you can be a winner at **Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous** (Pressman, $20, 2-6 players). Players earn tokens (or sometimes take them from other players) in six categories; having more than one token in a category is worth extra at the end of the game. Included are descriptions of 2400 unusual items and their prices.

Alva (University, $17 ppd., 2-6 players) and **Fast Fax** (Games Gang, $10 ppd., 2 or more players) are two variations on the same theme. In each you get a category—such as "fruit"—and then a letter—such as "F"—and the object is to be the first to call out, say "fig." In Fast Fax, one player sits out, choosing the categories (making them up or using the suggestions provided) and drawing the letters at random. In Alva, players advance around a board, and categories are determined by the spaces you land on. Both are good, simple games you can play for a few minutes or an hour.

Sale of the Century (American Publishing, $30, 3-7 players) is a fast-moving game where quick reactions are as important as trivial knowledge. (Maybe more so: Most questions are fairly easy.) It also comes with the Quizzard, a "lock-out" beeper device for up to six players that shows who pressed his or her button first. This useful device can improve other quiz games or help you invent your own.

War Games

From the conquest of Imperial Rome to search-and-destroy missions in Vietnam, war games are devoted to simulating the strategic decision-making of real combat.

Some war games may take no longer than an evening of bridge, while others can tie up your whole weekend. Cardboard counters representing armies or individual soldiers are usually moved on a hexagonal grid. Combat is often resolved by comparing "combat strengths" of opposing armies on a chart, and rolling a die.

This year many companies have released excellent introductory war games, hoping to attract new customers to a hobby that beginners might otherwise find intimidating.

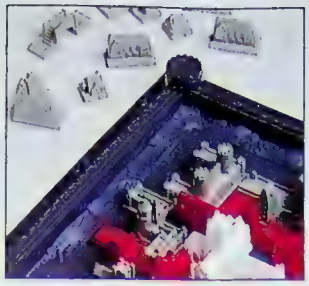
Platoon (Avalon Hill, $16, 2 players), from the first wargaming company, is based on the Academy-Award-winning film. With only one page of rules, this is an exciting, easy-to-play game of jungle firefights in Vietnam.

Shogun (Milton Bradley, $25, 2-5 players) is a gorgeous recreation of feudal Japan at war, complete with castles, plastic samurai, and a ninja assassin (whose services are for hire). With exquisite artwork and unique game play, Shogun is a masterpiece.

Onslaught—D-Day to the Rhine (TSR, $20, 2 players) is the first in TSR's line of "lightning simulations." It lets players reenact the Allied invasion of Hitler's Europe in a tense and realistic four-hour game.

Britannia (Avalon Hill, $25, 3-5 players) offers nothing less than the crown of England. The game begins with the Roman Invasion of 43 A.D. and players try to control as much of England as they can before the Norman Conquest of 1066.

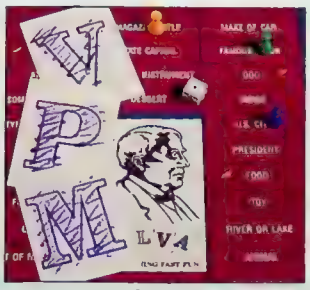
Knights of the Air (Avalon Hill, $35, 2-6 players). World War I flying games have a special cachet, evoking heroic dogfights in the skies of France. This detailed game lets you pilot legendary planes like the Sopwith Camel and includes special solitaire rules for attacks against Zeppelin airships and two-seater war planes.



CATHEDRAL

TWENTY QUESTIONS

LIFESTYLES OF THE RICH AND FAMOUS



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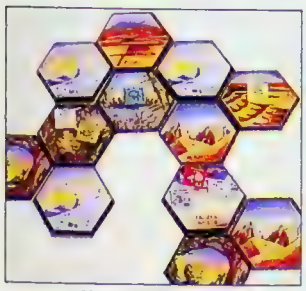
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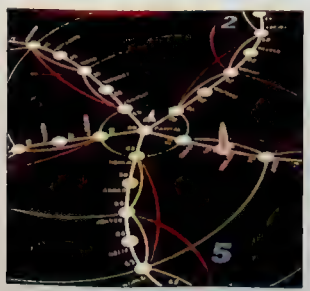

STAR TRADER

Chickamauga (West End, $17, 2 players). This award-winning game deals with the climactic battle of the Civil War. Maintaining control of your army is critical, as the Confederate player tries to stop the Union's advance into the Deep South.

2nd Fleet (Victory, $30, 2 players) is a complex, challenging simulation of high-tech combat in the North Atlantic. It includes rules for antisub warfare, missiles, navigating fjords and pack ice, and tactical nuclear warfare. Introductory scenarios can be played in one hour.

Fantasy and Science Fiction

Fantasy and science fiction adventure games create make-believe worlds, often with incredible realism. They can be board games, in which armies of trolls and elves clash or where players race for hidden treasure and lost kingdoms. Or they can be role-playing games, in which players play individual characters, each with his or her own traits, possessions, and abilities, while a non-playing gamemaster keeps track of what happens in an exciting adventure. Role-playing games take place mostly in the players' own imaginations, with the roll of the dice determining everything from battling monsters and casting magical spells to kicking your space cruiser into hyperdrive.

Kings and Things (West End, $20, 2-4 players) offers everything from mammoths and walruses to gargoyles and golems in a delightfully engaging game. The goal is to build up an army of assorted "things," while claiming as much of the strange realm as possible.

The Warlock of Firetop Mountain (Games Workshop, $25, 2-6 players) is based on a popular game novel. Players create adventurers equipped with trusty swords to explore the dangerous dungeons of an evil warlock for the keys to his treasure chest.

Dark Blades (Standard Games and Publications Ltd., $25, 2 players) is a combination medieval war game and fantasy adventure. Nicely detailed figures of wizards, knights, orcs and orcers clash on an oversized map depicting a rural suburb of the magical Isle of Labyrinthia.

Rogue Trooper (Games Workshop, $27, 2-6 players) is based on a comic book depicting the adventures of the last batch of Genetic Infantry men (G.I.s) on the chemical and nuclear wasteland of Nu-Earth. In this fast-paced multi-player game, the troopers have to capture the Traitor responsible for this futuristic hellhole.

Deluxe Ogre (Steve Jackson, $17, 1-2 players) is a reissue of an SF classic. It's a whole army of hovercraft, tanks and missile launchers against a single Ogre—a megatank. This deluxe edition features oversized counters with plastic stands, and a map board with a properly devastated look.

Isaac Asimov's Star Trader (Steve Jackson, $20, 1-4 players) is a clever game of intergalactic wheeling and dealing. Traders pick up and deliver goods to star systems (named for famous SF authors), while building stations and avoiding other traders.

Traveller: 2300 (Game Designers Workshop, $20, 2-8 players) is a state-of-the-art SF role-playing game. A detailed look at the next 300 years on earth and the heavily researched Near Star Catalogue (including instructions on how to use it) make this a remarkably realistic adventure game.

Star Wars (West End, $20, 2-8 players). This long-awaited role-playing game lets the force be with you. Each character takes the role of a rebel; as long as the Jedi code is followed, "force points" can be used to battle the Empire and avoid the Dark Side.

Power Struggles

Unlike most war games, **Power** (Power Games, $29.95 ppd., 2-4 players) can be learned in 10 minutes. But despite its simplicity there's plenty of room for both strategy and bluffing. Players write moves secretly and reveal them simultaneously. Planes, tanks, and ships can move fastest, but you'll need the lowly infantry to capture your enemy's flag.

Ultimatum (Bates Games, $20, 3-6 players) divides the countries of the world into four alliances: Western, Communist, Neutralist, and Oil. To win, conquer the Oil Alliance and any one of the others. You collect military currency and Ultimatum cards by conquering nations and forming naval blockades, then use the cards to get more troops, battleships, submarines, and lasers. The well-organized rulebook guides you smoothly through the complexities of play.

To show good faith, you've exchanged hostages with a rival Land Baron. Now war has broken out. **Way of the Warrior** (Ronin Enterprises, $18.95 ppd., 2 players) recreates the days of the samurai with a nice blend of strategy, luck, and historical flavor. Take control of provinces and collect weapons until you have enough strength to lay siege to your opponent's

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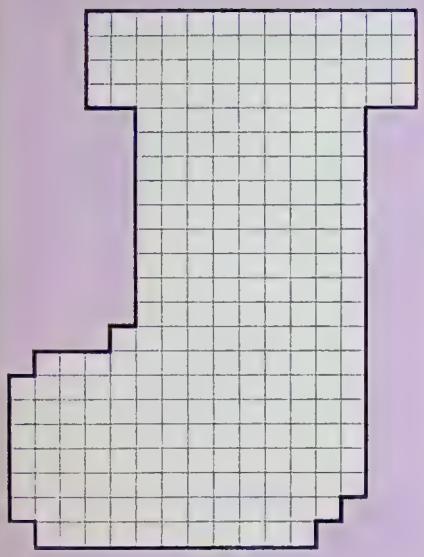
How Many Game Names Can You Fit Into This Grid?



The object of this contest is to fit as many different game names as possible into the grid above. Games must be spelled exactly as they appear in boldface in this "Best Games of the Year" article, except that (i) any punctuation marks and spaces between words are removed (so that each game is written as a single string of letters and/or numbers); and (ii) the eight shortened game names AMAZEINGLABYRINTH, CLUEII, ELLERYQUEEN, FIRETOPMOUNTAIN, LIFESTYLESOFTHERICH, ONSLAUGHT, STARTRADER, and WORDRUMMY are also acceptable. No game may be used more than once, and no words other than the acceptable game names may be used.

Games must be entered in crossword fashion—that is, from left to right or top to bottom, one letter or digit per square. For crossing purposes, an Arabic or Roman numeral 1 may be treated as identical with the letter I, and a zero may be treated as identical with the letter O. Games in the same row or column must be separated by at least one square. *All the games in your grid must be connected* either directly or through an unbroken chain of other games.

Your score is the number of different game names you have fit into the grid. The entry with the highest score will win; ties, if any, will be broken by random draw.

To enter, send your completed grid (or a copy) with your name, address, and score to: Stocking Stuffer, GAMES Magazine, 810 Seventh Avenue, New York, NY 10019. IMPORTANT: If you send your entry in an envelope, you must write your score on the back of your envelope and circle it. You may enter more than once, but each entry must be mailed separately. Entries must be received by December 1, 1987.

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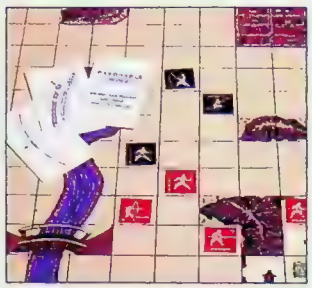

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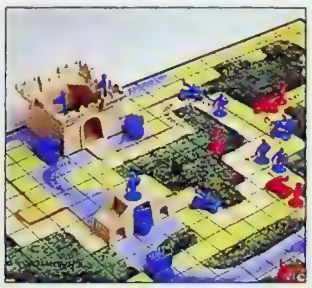

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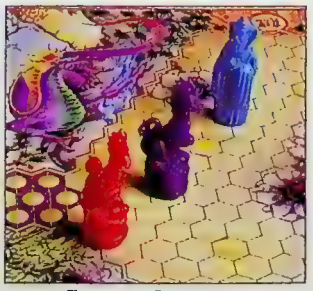


EMPEROR'S CHALLENGE

THE COUCH POTATO GAME

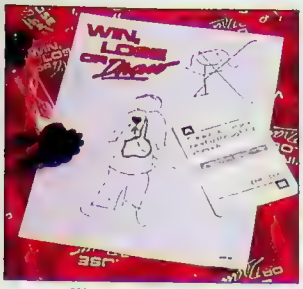
castle and rescue your hostage. Get your hostage home first, or capture the enemy Land Baron, and win the game.

Half the fun of **Legend of Camelot** (Hoyle Products, $18, or $20 ppd., 2-4 players) is setting up the castles and other detailed plastic playing pieces. Each player uses ships, catapults, and even a dragon, to capture opponents' castles. Use a catapult to force open the drawbridge, then get a knight inside to defeat your enemy. A light family game with as much luck as strategy.

Emperor's Challenge (Discovery Toys, $27, 2-4 players; see mail order information) is a simple and charming family game of sages, dragons, and crowns. Cross a golden space and collect your scepter, which allows you to pick up jewels and get your Crown of Enlightenment. On the way back you may be challenged by dragons or other sages. Rules are included for several other games of varying difficulty.

Puzzles

Spin the two wheels until the colored pieces are scrambled thoroughly, then try to put them back in order. Mathematicians will notice some interesting relationships between **The Puzzler** (Denver Mold Engineering, $8 ppd.) and Rubik's Cube. The rest of us solvers will find that The Puzzler is somewhat less difficult than the Cube, but still far from easy.



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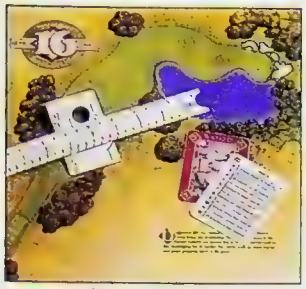
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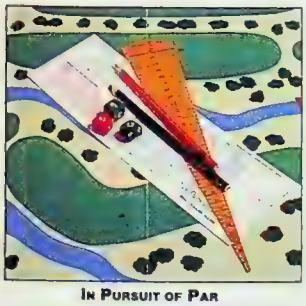
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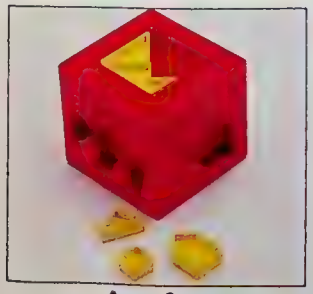
ADAMS CUBE

Spin-Out (Binary Arts, $10 ppd.) is a maddening rectangular slide with seven rotatable disks attached, that only moves an inch or two in its case. If you can get all the disks turned sideways, you can get the slide out completely, but turning one disk locks its neighbor in place. This elegant version of the classic Chinese ring puzzle will please your aesthetic sense even after you've solved it—*if* you solve it.

Give the old tangrams puzzle a third dimension and you get the **I-Qube** (Amuse Inc., $14.95 ppd.). With the painted wooden pieces you can now not only ponder over the traditional flat shapes, but drive yourself crazy with standing sculptures as well. The booklet included contains a number of both kinds.

Each of the six sides of **Adams Cube** (Adams Design, $11.50 ppd.) contains a hole that can be filled with the five puzzle pieces included. (They can also be arranged to form two squares, making for an elegant demonstration of the Pythagorean theorem.) When you've finally figured out all six sides, leave it on the coffee table as bait for guests.

Something Different

The Couch Potato Game (TDC, $15, or $17.95 ppd., 2 or more players) gives you something to do during commercials besides visit the bathroom. Cards show items from "baby" and "hair dryer" to "things you cook on" and "exercise stuff." Spot one of your items in a commercial and you can discard it; spot an opponent's and you can give him one of your cards. Watching TV will never be the same.

Invest in legendary hits like *Tobacco Road* and *South Pacific* in **Broadway** (TSR, $20, 2-6 players). Should you try to control one show completely or buy a few shares in several? Producers decide whether to distribute profits to investors or use them to keep their shows running. A game can take several hours to play, but the action is nonstop.

An ingenious shiftable maze made of 50 sturdy cards is the heart of **The a-MAZE-ing Labyrinth** (Ravensburger, $20, 2-4 players). Slide a row or column, then move your piece toward the treasure you're trying to reach. Fast-playing and not at all deep, this is a family game adults might enjoy even without kids around.

Last year's hit game Pictionary inspired many "charades on paper" imitations, but **Win, Lose or Draw** (Milton Bradley, $15, 3 or more players) adds a few twists and one improvement: Everyone is always playing. Can you illustrate—using only pictures, no words allowed—a phrase like "Tower of strength" so that someone will recognize it before time runs out? A successful drawing scores for both the drawer and the correct guesser. Warning: Genuine artistic ability is no help at all.

Ultimate Golf (Ultimate Gifts, $44, or $46.90 ppd., 2-4 players) includes 18 of the world's best golf holes, stunningly illustrated on nine two-sided boards. Select a club and take the corresponding card, then roll two dice to see how far—and how accurate—your stroke is. The game is long—a full eighteen holes will take you three hours or longer—but the equipment is so beautiful you may not mind. Though less impressive to look at, **In Pursuit of Par** (Pursuit of Par Enterprises, $30, 2 or more players; see mail order information) plays more like the real game, and a lot quicker as well. The 18 fictitious holes offer a tough-to-achieve par 72. Clubs are chosen from a chart, and two dice determine distance and direction; a third die affects shots in the rough, traps, or trees. Balls are marked on the board with special pencils that wipe off easily after each hole.

Jagger (Games Gang, $34 ppd., 2 players) challenges you to finish a six-sided jigsaw puzzle before your opponent. You also get points for completing edges, finishing sections of your puzzle, and placing the lightning-bolt-shaped "jagger" piece in place. Remembering to claim your points amid the panic is part of the game. Four puzzles are included and more are available.

The war, fantasy, and science fiction game reviews are by Matthew Costello. Other reviews are by Mark Danna, R. Wayne Schmittberger, and Scott Marley.

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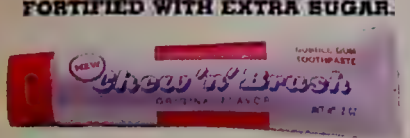

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That Thinking Feeling

THE FLOWER GARDEN

In a certain garden, each flower was either red, yellow, or blue. All three colors were actually represented. A statistician, who once visited the garden, made the following two observations:

1. Given any three of the flowers, at least one of them was red.
2. Given any three of the flowers, at least one of them was yellow.

Does it follow that given any three of the flowers, at least one of them must be blue?

TRIPLETS

A set of triplets are named John, James, and William. John and James always lie and William always tells the truth.

The three are exactly alike in appearance. You meet one of the three on the street one day and you wish to find out whether he is John, because John owes you money. You are allowed to ask him only one question answerable by yes or no, and the question may not contain more than three words. What question would you ask?

KNIGHT OR KNAVE?

On the Island of Knights and Knaves, every inhabitant is either a knight or a knave. Knights make only true statements and knaves make only false statements. On a visit to this island, you meet an inhabitant who says, "This is not the first time I have said what I am now saying."

Is he a knight or a knave?

A TRIAL

On this same island, you are present at an interesting trial. There are three defendants: Arthur, Bertrand, and Charles. It is known at the outset of the trial that one and only one of the three is guilty of the crime. The three make the following statements to the judge.

Arthur: Bertrand is the guilty one.
Bertrand: Charles is the guilty one.
Charles: I am innocent!

The judge then addresses one of the three and asks, "Did the other two both lie?" The man addressed by the judge replies, "No."

Which of the three defendants was guilty?

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Raymond Smullyan's many logic puzzle books include "The Chess Mysteries of Sherlock Holmes," "The Lady or the Tiger?," and "To Mock a Mockingbird."

PETER DE SEVE

★☆ WILD CARDS ★☆

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TRIVIA

COMIC COLLECTION

From Mickey Mouse to Wonder Woman, alliterative names abound in the cartoon world. We came up with a list of over 40 characters from cartoons, comic books, and comic strips, each having two names beginning with the same letter. Can you?

—Raymond Winthrop

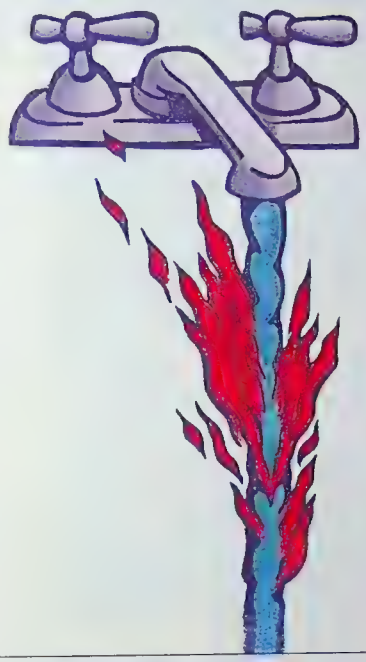
IN OTHER WORDS

NATIVE LANDS

The names by which we know other countries are often quite different from the names the natives of those countries use. For example, the country we call *Greece* is known as *Elliniki Dimokratia* to its natives. The names below may sound like Greek, too, but worldly solvers should be able to identify at least 15 of these countries.

1. Al-Mamlaka al-'Arabiya as-Sa'udiya
2. Bharat
3. Bundesrepublik Deutschland
4. España
5. Estados Unidos Mexicanos
6. Hebretasebawit Etyopia
7. Lýoveldio Island
8. Konindrijk der Nederlanden
9. Konungariket Sverige
10. Magyar Népköztáraság
11. Nippon
12. Polska Rzeczpospolita Ludowa
13. Republiek van Suid-Afrika
14. Republik Österreich
15. République de Tchad
16. Saltanat 'Uman
17. Sathalanalat Paxaathipatai Paxaxõn Lao
18. Soyuz Sovetskykh Sotsialisticheskikh Respublic
19. Turkiye Cumhuriyeti
20. Zhonghua Renmin Gonghe Guo

—Richard Marsh



NUMBER PLAY

SQUARE DANCE

Sally invited 17 guests to her party. She assigned each guest a number from 2 to 18, keeping 1 for herself. When everyone was dancing, Sally noticed that the sum of each couple's numbers was a perfect square. What was the number of Sally's partner?

—Guney Mentes

FOR THE RECORD

LAST WORDS

Can you match each of the excerpted epitaphs below (1–10) with the famous person (a–j) it commemorates?

1. Cursed be he who moves my bones.
2. "For I'm going to run her till she leaves the rail—or make it on time with the Southbound mail."
3. If you seek his monument, look around.
4. Look Homeward, Angel.
5. Murdered by a Traitor and Coward Whose Name Is Not Worthy to Appear Here.
6. Nature has provided cure and final rest for all the heartaches that mortals are called to endure.
7. Pard, we will meet again in the Happy Hunting Ground to part no more.
8. Quoth the Raven, Nevermore
9. "She hath done what she could"
10. Workers of all Lands Unite

a. Clara Barton
b. Wild Bill Hickok
c. Jesse James
d. Casey Jones
e. Karl Marx
f. Carrie Nation
g. Edgar Allan Poe
h. William Shakespeare
i. Thomas Wolfe
j. Christopher Wren

—Marilyn Baker

WORDPLAY

THRICE TWICE

In each of the words below, two letters have been omitted, three times each. These six letters have been replaced with asterisks. For example, by removing three Ns and three Es from NINETEEN, we'd get *I**T***. How many of the original words can you identify?

—Robert Gray

1. * * I Q U * * * *
2. * * A * I * * I C *
3. R H * * * * E N * R * N
4. M * * * * O N A R * E *
5. C * * * * B * * A T E
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TEASERS

ING-LISH WORDS

The words ASPIRING and RAISING end in the letters -ING, and if you drop the final G, the results are also words: ASPIRIN and RAISIN. Can you find two *five-letter* words ending in -ING that become new words when the final G is dropped?

—Fraser Simpson

FOR THE RECORD

THE BUTLER DID IT

Here's a trivia question you might not be able to solve right away, but it may come to you later; after all, tomorrow is another day. The list of writers at right all took part in one specific writing project. Can you guess what it was?

Ben Hecht, John Van Druten, Sidney Howard, Oliver H. P. Garrett, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Charles MacArthur, Edwin Justus Mayer, Michael Foster, Jo Swerling, Winston Miller, John Balderston.

—Louis Phillips

TORMENTORS

POTIONS PRERECORDED

At the recent Mad Scientists' Convention, Doctors Beaker, Bunsen, Litmus, O'Tube, and Petri each brought along a vial of potion capable of turning its drinker into an animal for several minutes. Each of the five agreed to test one of the others' potions. At exactly 12:00 midnight the magic liquids were sipped and the room suddenly contained a menagerie: an earthworm, a puma, a donkey, a butterfly, and a canary. The hotel manager, having received complaints about the strange noises coming from the room, arrived on the scene at 12:20 to find that the potions had worn off, and Barnabus, Harvey, Hilda, Monroe, and Theodora had recovered their original identities. From the following clues, can you determine the full name of each potion's creator and tester, and the duration of each potion's effect?

1. No two scientists simply exchanged potions.
2. The butterfly potion lasted three times as long as the one Barnabus drank, which lasted only half as long as Dr. Beaker's concoction.
3. Dr. Petri recovered in the nick of time—he barely saved the earthworm from being gobbled up by the canary.
4. Neither Hilda nor the donkey potion's creator became animals that could fly.
5. The two women were the earthworm potion's creator and Dr. Bunsen, both of whom swallowed potions concocted by men.
6. The three men were the scientist who ingested the potion with the longest-lasting effect, the scientist who became the donkey, and Monroe.
7. Hilda's creation turned Dr. Litmus into an animal with fewer than four legs.
8. Dr. Beaker and her colleague Dr. Petri, while under the effects of the potions they took, had eight legs altogether.
9. The canary and butterfly potions were the only two which did not wear off before their creators had recovered.
10. Theodora recovered nine minutes before Dr. O'Tube, and a minute after the canary potion's creator.
11. The concoction made by the scientist who drank Harvey's potion wore off after at least two others.
12. Each potion was effective for a whole number of minutes, and no two had the same duration. One lasted for exactly 12 minutes.

—Susan Tenney

NUMBER PLAY

BLOCK BUSTER

Mr. Walker leaves his office (at the corner of Fifth Avenue and a numbered cross street) and heads uptown to the Metropolitan Museum at 82nd Street. (Street numbers in Manhattan increase consecutively uptown.) Being mathematically inclined, he notices before long, midway up one block, that he's exactly an eighth of the way to the museum. Later, waiting at an intersection, he computes that he hasn't yet gone two-thirds of the distance; he knows, though, that at the next intersection he'll be more than two-thirds of the way to the museum, and two blocks beyond that, he'll be exactly three-quarters of the way to the museum.

On what numbered street is Mr. Walker's office situated?

—R. W. S.

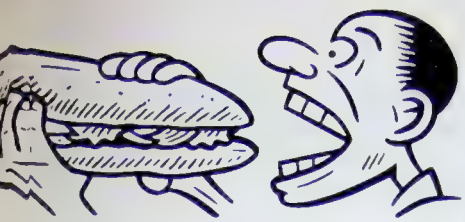
WORDPLAY

CONVERSATION PIECE

Many words contain three vowels in a row, but only *one* common word contains this unusual trio: UIA. Can you deduce which word fills the bill?

—Edward Dermon

MARK MAZUT



WORDPLAY

WORDS OF NOTE

The left column below contains the notes of the musical scale, from DO to DO. The right column contains eight two-letter endings that can be added to the ends of the notes to make common English words. As an example, the LE has been added to the end of DO to make the word DOLE. Though many of the endings work with more than one of the notes, there's only one way to use each note and each ending exactly once. Can you find it?

DO LE	AR
RE ___	DO
MI ___	DY
FA ___	ID
SOL ___	IL
LA ___	~~LE~~
TI ___	RM
DO ___	SS

—Sher Garfield

TOUGH NUTS

CRUISING

Officer Law, at the wheel of the police cruiser, said to his partner, Officer Order, "You see, the rate of traffic flow in both directions is the same."

"You're right, the spacing between cars is the same in both lanes," replied Officer Order. "And everyone's keeping to the speed limit, 55 miles per hour."

"Except us, of course. In fact, if we increase our speed by just one mile per hour, we'll encounter one less car coming from the opposite direction during the time it takes us to overtake a car going our way."

Officer Order thought about that for a bit. "Just how fast *are* we going?"

Can you answer Officer Order's question?

—Guney Mentes

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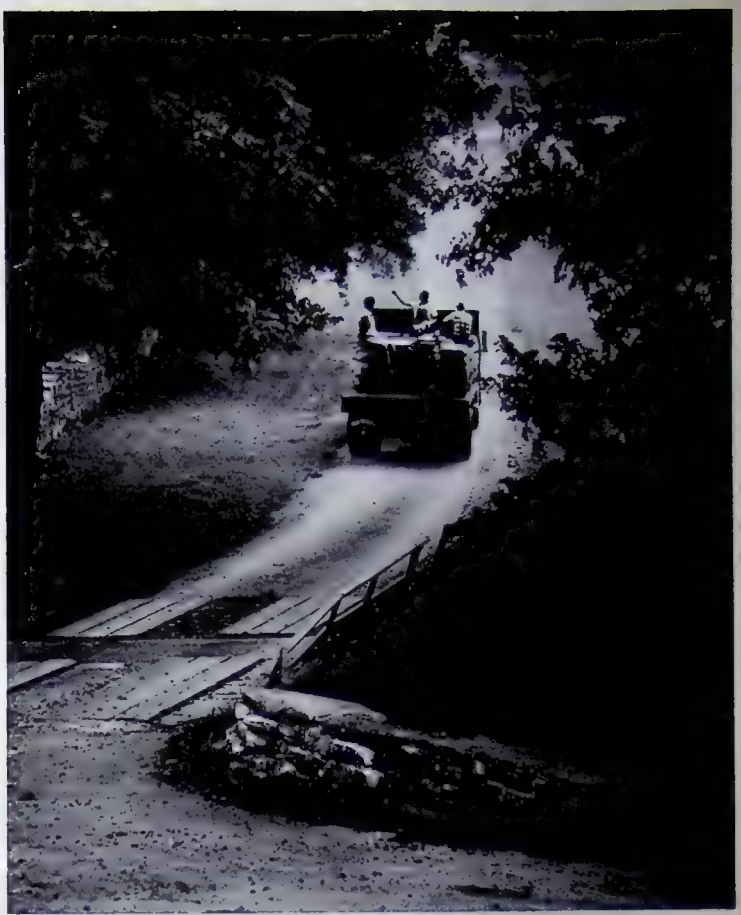

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Playing with the concentration of a Nancy Lopez, Chris O'Cleary captured women's Disc Golf.

Since four people race at once in the Discathon, lighter discs are used to avoid injury.

Unimpressed by Spuds MacKenzie, Whirlin' Wizard puts on an aerial display with his owner Peter Bloeme.

One of Chip Bell's miracle stunts—a "flying bad attitude catch"—in the freestyle.

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tions: One player can quickly catch and return the lead disc; or he can tip or slap a disc up into the air, giving his partner time to return the second disc before retouching the first.

DDC has its hardcore following. For example, Scott Zimmerman was so smitten by it that, at the age of 19, he moved from Virginia to California, home of the world's top players.

Perhaps because of its more leisurely pace, Disc Golf, has a larger following than DDC. The sport is similar to regular golf with some major exceptions: shorter fairways, no sand traps, discs instead of balls and clubs, and 18 Pole Holes. These contraptions are metal poles with a basket and overhanging chains that function like a basketball backboard.

"When I first saw Pole Holes, I thought they were some kind of barbeque pit," recalls Sam Ferrans, a tall, thin local, who at 19 has won Disc Golf championships—and $15,000 in prize money—on three continents.

Disc golfers carry discs of different weights and sizes for different shots: drives, putts, curves, and rollers. To avoid trees, to play against a stiff breeze, or to drive for length, a player might roll a disc on its edge like a wheel. Some can roll discs more than 150 yards.

Ferrans doesn't need to roll for distance. In Japan he once heaved a disc 568 feet. But the Open winner was John Ahart, an intense, 25-year-old Californian from Garden Grove. He enjoys the sport partly because "It's something you can do on weekends without spending a lot of money." Almost all 200 Disc Golf courses in the U.S. are free. (For a complete course listing, send $5 to the Professional Disc Golf Association, P.O. Box 240363-G, Memphis, TN 38124.)

The final—and most spectacular—event of the 1987 Open was the gymnastic-like Freestyle. Judged for difficulty, execution, and presentation, two- or three-person teams choreograph "hot-dogging" moves, usually to rock music. But one group performed to *The Nutcracker*, rousing the crowd when a member saved a disc by reaching over the judges' heads, spinning it on a fingernail, and then sailing it back by brushing it off the side of his foot. The Blasters, a group whose members hailed from Baton Rouge and San Diego, topped off their routine with a triple body roll. But the champs were the Bud Light team of John Brooks, Chip Bell, and Joey Hudoklin. They showed off their best material, including the "toothbrush": Brooks kept the disc spinning on his teeth while turning completely around twice.

The women's winners, for the fourth consecutive year, were Stacy Anderson and Carolyn Yabe. They did simultaneous cartwheels while passing the discs on their fingernails.

Not all the Frisbee tricks at the Open were performed by humans. Giving an exhibition was Whirlin' Wizard, a dog that appeared on the "Stupid Pet Tricks" segment of *Late Night with David Letterman*. The Wizard possesses the ability to tip a Frisbee off his nose and back to its master. Also on hand was another *Late Night* alumnus, Greg Hosfeld, a professional juggler from Sarasota, Florida. Hosfeld wowed onlookers by keeping a mini-disc aloft simply by puffing under it.

But the real top dog that week was Spuds MacKenzie, mascot for Bud Light, the Open's co-sponsor. When Spuds arrived on the field in a limousine, he attracted a huge crowd. Spuds soon headed off in search of bigger parties, but the many onlookers stayed to break a world record. As people from the *Guinness Book of World Records* rolled their cameras, hundreds of laid-back Californians tossed Frisbees into the air. This, it was hoped, would be the biggest "Big Throw" ever. Although the colored discs filled the sky like a polyethylene fireworks display, there were only 900 of them, which didn't come close to breaking the record of 1,500 discs, set at a National Frisbee Festival in Washington, D.C..

After all eight events were completed, the overall woman's champ was Wende Coates, who took home $2,820. What did she like most about the Frisbee? "It's challenging, you can always improve, and to see that Frisbee float up there...it's just neat."

Zimmerman, who won $4,525 and, as usual, took the men's title, was a bit more subdued. "It's a little sad," he said, "that an athlete as devoted as I am to this game can't make more money at it or have greater fame. I know as much about Frisbee as the Celtics know about basketball. I only make $8,000 a year. Robert Parrish can be fined that much in two games."

Still, the Open provided more sweet moments than bitter ones. Which is appropriate for a sport so effortlessly graceful. After 30 years, it's clear that our affair with the Frisbee is no mere fling.

Mark Danna, head of Flying Disc Enterprises, has won several major Frisbee titles. He is a frequent contributor to GAMES.

ANSWERS

4 YOUR MOVE

Key of A
Correct answers include the following
Abba, ABC, AC/DC, Adam Ant, a-Ha, Alabama, Bananarama, Black Sabbath, Mama Cass, Dawn, Dan Hartman, Kansas, Chaka Khan, C. W. McCall, Graham Nash, Ratt, Santana, Scandal, Shalamar, Sha-Na-Na, Talk Talk, War, Wham!, Frank Zappa

Plane Speaking
1–f, 2–g, 3–d, 4–h, 5–b, 6–c, 7–a, 8–e

Bright Idea
The question is: Why do light bulbs usually burn out when they are first turned on, instead of while they are in use?

Color Schemes
The correct titles are:
The *Red*-Headed League
The Five *Orange* Pips
The Adventure of the *Blue* Carbuncle
Silver Blaze
A Study in *Scarlet*
The Adventure of *Black* Peter
The *Yellow* Face
The Adventure of the *Copper* Beeches
The Adventure of the *Golden* Pince-nez

A Matter of Courses
Professor Charlotte Clark teaches Non-Euclidean Arithmetic in room 102
The other professors' names and subjects are
Dennis Anders, Fish Psychology in room 101;
Bertrand Davis, Martian Archaeology in room 103;
Andrea Baker, Vegetables In Shakespeare in room 104.

23 JIGSAW BOXES

The Aruwimi River in Zaire was named by the explorer Livingstone. On discovering it, he asked a native, "What is this river's name?" The native replied, "Aruwimi," meaning "What is this man saying?" Livingstone misunderstood and the river has been the Aruwimi ever since

25 SKIN GAME

1. Skinflint
2. Redskins
3. Get under one's skin
4. Skinny-dip
5. Sheepskin
6. Skin flick
7. Rumpelstiltskin
8. Buckskins
9. Skin diver
10. Pigskin
11. Mule skinner
12. *The Skin of Our Teeth*
13. Onionskin
14. B. F. Skinner

32 DOUBLE CROSS

A. HAWAII	M. OPERA HAT
B. OLD WORLD	N. NEEDY
C. PLYWOOD	O. SHCHARANSKY
D. ELEMENTAL	P. OLYMPIA
E. CHILDREN	Q. FEET
F. OF A LESSER GOD	R. ABE VIGODA
G. NEWTON	S. HAITI
H. FIGHTING IRISH	T. OVERVIEW
I. EYELET	U. OTHELLO
J. SKYWALKER	V. KUDU
K. SUITE	W. ENDURE
L. INTIMATE	X. RAGING BULL

When I was playing [golf] with Crosby years later, he said, "I'll give you a stroke on this hole if you'll give me a free throw." It sounded like a good deal to me—until we arrived on the green and he picked up my ball and threw it in a lake.—(Bob) Hope, *Confessions of a Hooker*

38 ICING ON THE CAKE

50 LOGIC

The Flower Garden
Yes, it does follow. From the first observation it follows that there cannot be more than one yellow flower in the garden, because if there were two yellows, then these two together with one blue would compose a group of three that contained no red. But we were told that *every* group of three contains at least one red. Therefore there is only one yellow flower in the garden. Similarly, there can be only one blue flower, because if there were two blues, then they together with one yellow would form a group of three containing no red.

From the second observation it must follow that there cannot be two red flowers, because two reds together with one blue would form a group containing no yellow. (It also follows from the second observation that there cannot be two blues, but we already know this from the first observation.) The upshot of all this is that there are only three flowers in the entire garden; one of each color! So any group of three (and there is only one such group) must contain a blue.

Triplets
The question to ask is: "Are you James?" If you are addressing John, he will answer yes (since John lies), whereas both James and William would answer no (James because he lies and really is James; William because he tells the truth and is really not James). So a yes answer means that he is John and a no answer means that he is not.

Knight or Knave?
Unless he has lived infinitely far back in the past (which, of course, he hasn't) he must be a knave. Here is why.

Suppose he were a knight. Then his claim is true, which means that he has said the same thing before. When he said it then, it must also have been true, which means that he has said it a time before that, hence also a time before that, and so on ad infinitum. The only way out of this impossible infinite regress is that the inhabitant is a knave.

An alternative argument is this: Since he has made the statement once, there must have been a *first* time when he made it. At that time, it was clearly false, hence he is a knave.

We might also note that since he is a knave, then he has in fact never made the statement before. Also, being a knave, he can never make that statement again, because if he said it a second time, it would be true!

A Trial
To begin with, Bertrand and Charles have made contradictory claims; hence one is a knight and the other a knave. We are not told which of the three was addressed by the judge, nor do we need to know that in order to solve the puzzle. Whichever one it was—call him X—is either a knight or a knave. Suppose he is a knave. Then his no answer was a lie, which means that the other two *did* both lie, and hence all three would be knaves. But this is impossible since either Bertrand or Charles is a knight. Therefore, X can't be a knave; he must be a knight. Since he is a knight, his answer no was the truth and therefore the other two didn't both lie; at least one of the other two is a knight. Since Bertrand and Charles are not both knights, Arthur must be one of the two knights. Therefore Arthur's accusation was true, and Bertrand is the guilty one.

33 CRYPTIC CROSSWORD 1

ACROSS
1 Pirate (at pier)
4 Mosquito (mos. + Quito)
9 Onset (Stone)
10 Custodian (cautions + D)
11 Hedonist (don + heist)
12 Kitten (kit + ten)
14 Tang (gnat)
15 Paternal (parental)
19 Sextants (extant + S + s)
20 Omit (I'm to)
23 Hotels (hot + els)
25 Overture (overt + pure – p)
27 Waterfall (after + wall)
28 Knits (stink)
29 Paradise (is + parade)
30 Friend (fiend + r)

DOWN
1 Prophets (profits)
2 Residents (side + rents)
3 Toting (got tin)
5 Oust (Occupant Using Second Tenant)
6 Quotient (not quite)
7 Idiot (I do it)
8 Owning (tOWN IN Germany)
10 Castaway (cast + away)
13 Festival (last five)
16 Limousine (cousin – c + lime)
17 Explored (ex + Red + PLO)
18 Stressed (desserts)
21 Show up (how + sup)
22 Broker (broke + r)
24 Tutor (Tut + or)
26 Mars (two meanings)

33 CRYPTIC CROSSWORD 2

ACROSS
1 Ceremony (McEnroe + Y)
5 Attack (greAT TACKles; & literally so)
9 Organist (trio sang)
10 Braids (bra + IDs)
12 Disorderliness (soldier in dress; & literally so)
13 Earnest (ear + nest)
15 Smugly (mug + sly)
18 Ordeal (or + deal)
20 Plateau (plate + Au)
21 Hard nut to crack (K Car + cot + tundra + h)
25 Pilots (STP oil)
26 Plethora (let Harpo)
27 Layers (two meanings)
28 Bassists (B + assist's)

DOWN
1 Cloudier (crude oil)
2 Registrar (Teri Garr's)
3 Minor (miner)
4 Nascent (an + scent)
6 Tarantula (Ultra Tan + a)
7 Adios (rADIO Shack)
8 Kiss (skis)
11 Alps (a + LP's)
14 Emendator (Notre Dame)
16 Lee Majors (Les + E major)
17 Muskrats (stark + sum)
19 Lout (L + out)
20 Patella (Pat + Ella)
22 Alley (yell + a)
23 Cites (sites)
24 Opal (0 + pal)

FAKE AD

The Fake Advertisement announced in the Table of Contents was for Chew 'n' Brush and appeared on page 50. Idea by Barry Simon.

39 ESCAPE FROM THE FOREST

You pick up the 20 pengos and the bottle of mead. You also take an apple from the fruit tree, and buy a magic cage for five pengos (leaving you with 15). The message on the scrap of paper is a cryptogram reading: "Behind the loose boulders lies a secret tunnel heading southwest to the owl's clearing." You reach the owl via the tunnel and capture it in the cage.

Next you ride the ark for 10 pengos (leaving you with five). On the island, the pea pickers take the P's out of the APPLE, turning it into ALE. They pay you 20 pengos (you now have 25 in all). You then ride the ark to the beaver. You give it the ale, and have it turn the MEAD, the OWL, and the ARK into a MEADOWLARK, which you put in the magic cage.

As you pass through the rose garden, you pick up a petal from the path. The meadowlark, being a songbird, gets you past the ogre to see the wizard. You pay the wizard your last 25 pengos to turn the PETAL into a PLATE. PLATE is the answer to the Sphinx's riddle (silver plate, dinner plate, license plate, home plate), so you show the plate to the Sphinx and leave the forest. Free at last!

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Daisy Duck
Deputy Dawg
Donald Duck
Dudley Do-Right
Fred Flintstone
Huckleberry Hound
Jane Jetson
Jughead Jones
Judy Jetson
Krazy Kat
Lana Lang
Leroy Lockhorn
Lex Luthor
Little Lulu
Lois Lane
Loretta Lockhorn
Mickey Mouse
Mighty Mouse
Minnie Mouse
Minute Mouse
Mister Magoo
Moon Mullins
Olive Oyl
Peppermint Patty
Petunia Pig
Pink Panther
Pogo Possum
Porky Pig
Ricochet Rabbit
Roger Ramjet
Snuffy Smith
Tennessee Tuxedo
Tom Terrific
Touche Turtle
Winnie Winkle
Wonder Woman
Woody Woodpecker

NATIVE LANDS

1. (Kingdom of) Saudi Arabia
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3. West Germany (Federal Republic of Germany)
4. Spain
5. Mexico (United Mexican States)
6. (Socialist) Ethiopia
7. (Republic of) Iceland
8. (Kingdom of) the Netherlands
9. (Kingdom of) Sweden
10. Hungary (Hungarian People's Republic)
11. Japan
12. Poland (Polish People's Republic)
13. (Republic of) South Africa
14. (Republic of) Austria
15. (Republic of) Chad
16. (Sultanate of) Oman
17. Laos (Lao People's Democratic Republic)
18. Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
19. (Republic of) Turkey
20. (People's Republic of) China

SQUARE DANCE

Sally's partner had number 15. The pairings were: 1–15; 2–14; 3–13; 4–12; 5–11; 6–10; 7–18; 8–17; and 9–16.

THRICE TWICE

1. ETIQUETTE
2. STATISTICS
3. RHODODENDRON
4. MISSIONARIES
5. CORROBORATE
6. ILLICITLY
7. AGGRAVATING
8. CONCOCTION
9. UNUSUALNESS

LAST WORDS

1–h, William Shakespeare
2–d, Casey Jones
3–j, Christopher Wren
4–i, Thomas Wolfe
5–c, Jesse James
6–a, Clara Barton
7–b, Wild Bill Hickok
8–g, Edgar Allan Poe
9–f, Carrie Nation
10–e, Karl Marx

ING-LISH WORDS

The words are RUING (RUIN) and THING (THIN).

POTIONS PRERECORDED

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The canary potion, created by Barnabus Petri and taken by Theodora Bunsen, lasted 6 minutes.

The donkey potion, created by Monroe Litmus and taken by Barnabus Petri, lasted 5 minutes.

THE BUTLER DID IT

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CONVERSATION PIECE

The common word is COLLOQUIAL. The only other such word we've discovered is QUIAQUIA, a kind of fish.

WORDS OF NOTE

DOLE	MISS	SOLAR	TIDY
REDO	FAIL	LAID	DORM

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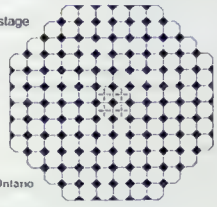

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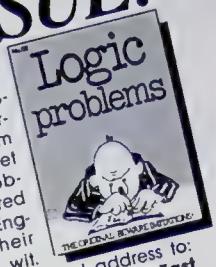

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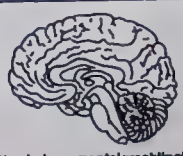

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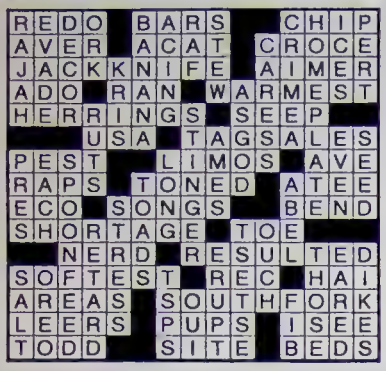
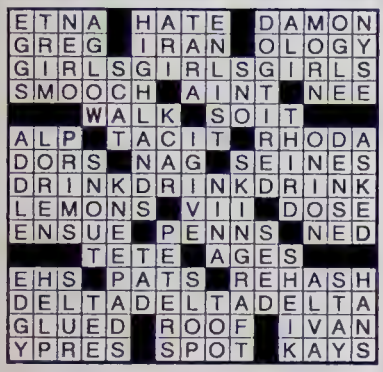
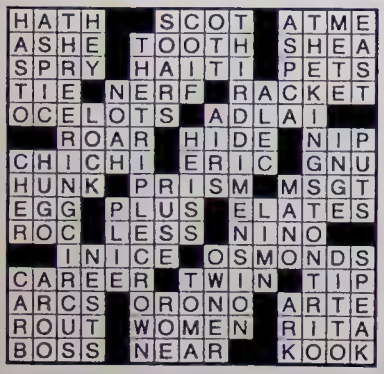


27 YOU CAN SAY THAT AGAIN!



31 TRINITY QUARTET



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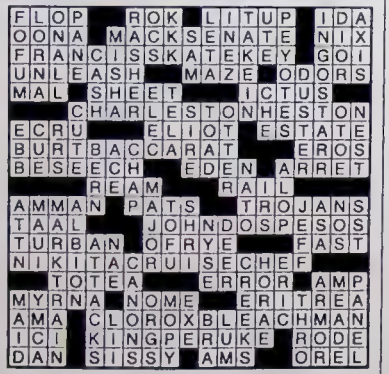
34 HOLDING PATTERN

36 FOR THE MONEY

37 MOONLIGHTING



28 PRO TEST

1. Proceeding (seeding)
2. Proclaiming
3. Profound
4. Proposing
5. Profiling
6. Propounding
7. Propane (pain)
8. Provision *or* protest
9. Proportion
10. Protractor
11. Promoter (motor)

42 EYEBALL BENDERS

1 Hourglass
2 Crutch
3 Sandpaper
4 Good & Plenty candy
5 Turf/Sod
6 Mercury
7 Ends of colored pencils

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20 IT'S ACADEMIC

Class Acts

1. *The Paper Chase*
2. *Knute Rockne—All American*
3. *The Nutty Professor*
4. *Love Story*
5. *Animal House*
6. *Breaking Away*
7. *Horse Feathers*
8. *Soul Man*
9. *The Absent-Minded Professor*
10. *The Big Chill*
11. *Back to School*

Statistics 101

1) c, 2) c; 3) b

Bull Session

1) b, 2) a; 3) c; 4) a; 5) c

Campus Sites

1–h, Providence, Rhode Island
2–g, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania
3–f, Hamilton, New York
4–e, Hanover, New Hampshire
5–c, Des Moines, Iowa
6–j, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
7–a, Malibu, California
8–b, West Lafayette, Indiana
9–d, New Orleans, Louisiana
10–i, Nashville, Tennessee

Star Pupils

1–i, University of Nebraska
2–j, Yale
3–d, Notre Dame
4–a, Bryn Mawr
5–c, Fordham
6–g, University of Maine
7–h, University of Minnesota
8–f, Smith
9–e, Princeton
10–b, Carnegie-Mellon

Pomp and Circumstances

1) a; 2) b; 3) a; 4) b; 5) a

Team Spirit

1–c, Cornell
2–i, Purdue
3–f, Nebraska
4–a, Alabama
5–d, Delaware
6–e, Miami
7–h, Penn State
8–j, Syracuse
9–b, Arizona State
10–g, North Carolina

Campus Call Our Bluff

The fakes are Hiawatha College and Moon Valley College. The locations of the other schools are: American University, Washington, D.C.; Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan; Hamline University, St. Paul, Minnesota; Limestone College, Gaffney, South Carolina; Madonna College, Livonia, Michigan; Shorter College, Rome, Georgia; Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, Mississippi; Transylvania University, Lexington, Kentucky.

Logo Motives

1. Maryland (the Terrapins)
2. Notre Dame (the Fighting Irish)
3. Yale (the Bulldogs)
4. Michigan (the Wolverines)
5. Arkansas (the Razorbacks)
6. Navy (the symbol of the Midshipmen is the goat)
7. Southern California (the Trojans)
8. Texas Christian (the Horned Frogs)

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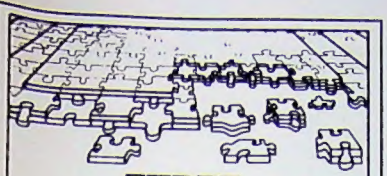

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EVENTS

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GAMES FAIR Games enthusiasts from all over the world will be meeting at the London Games Fair, October 9-11, at Kensington Town Hall, Horton Street, London, England. Open to the general public, this fair provides game manufacturers, inventors, and retailers a rare opportunity to display their products and hear reactions to the games as they are played. Playtesting demonstrations will be held throughout the fair. Contact: Jack Jaffe, London Games Fair, 50 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5JQ, or call 01-930 5938 or 01-445 7787.

PINBALL Pinball players will be flipping at the chance to win a new pinball machine at Pinball Expo '87, a pinball collectors show and tournament October 9-11, at the O'Hare Holiday Inn, in Rosemont, Illinois. Entry fee is $5. Contact: Pinball Expo '87, c/o Robert Berk, 26-71 Youngstown Road, Warren, OH 44484, or call (216) 369-1192.

STORYTELLING Thousands of spectators should be all ears at the 15th Annual National Storytelling Festival October 9-11, in Jonesborough, Tennessee. Fifteen storytellers plan to spin their yarns under circus-type tents scattered throughout the tiny historic town. The three-day festival will feature 20 hours of storytelling. Contact: NAPPS, P.O. Box 309, Jonesborough, TN 37659, or call (615) 753-2171.

NOVEMBER

DAY OF THE MONTH: NOVEMBER 3

"Sandwich Day" recognizes the inventor of the sandwich, John Montague, Fourth Earl of Sandwich, who was born November 3, 1718. He was England's First Lord of the Admiralty, Secretary of State for the northern Department, Postmaster General, and the man after whom Captain Cook named the Sandwich Islands in 1778. A rake and a gambler, he is said to have invented the sandwich as a time-saving meal while he was engaged in a 24-hour gambling session in 1762. This is a good day to find out which side your bread is buttered on!

CHESS Experts and amateurs will face-off at the American Open Championship, November 26-29, at the Los Angeles Airport Marriot Hotel. About 400 players are expected to compete for a total of $12,500 in cash prizes. Entry fees range from $38 to $55. Contact: Santa Monica Bay Chess Club, P.O. Box 129, Santa Monica, CA 90406, or call Hal Bogner at (818) 799-7567 or Sam Glassberg at (213) 837-3198.

CROSSWORDS The First Annual Long Island Crossword Open is going to be held November 7, at Hofstra University in Hempstead, Long Island, New York. This day-long competition in three skill divisions is open to all solvers. Many puzzle-world notables are expected to attend. Cash prizes will be awarded. Contact: American Crossword Federation, P.O. Box 1764, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156, or call (212) 608-5150.

SCRABBLE They'll be racking their brains at the Grand Canyon Scrabble Players Tournament, to be held November 6-8, at the Thunderbird Lodge, in Grand Canyon, Arizona. Contestants will vie for $3,000 in prize money in recreational, open, and grand divisions. Entry fees range from $35 to $75. Contact: Stan Rubinsky, 1933 Hornblend St., Suite #4, San Diego, CA 92109, or call (619) 483-1313.

WORD WEEKEND The category is WORDPLAY and the answer is . . . fun, as GAMES Contributing Editor Gloria Rosenthal conducts the Wonderful World of Words, November 6-8, at Mohonk Mountain House, in New Paltz, New York. Challenges include "Human Scrabble" and "Brain Games," led by GAMES Senior Editor Will Shortz. Prizes will be awarded. Contact: Mohonk Mountain House, New Paltz, NY 12561, or call (914) 255-1000; in New York City (212) 233-2244.

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SEEING STARS COVER

Clockwise from the top the celebrities are: Lily Tomlin, Nancy Reagan, Charles Bronson, Joan Rivers, Hulk Hogan, Woody Allen, and (center) Dan Rather.

Mail Order Information

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Pursuit of Par Enterprises For the nearest store, call 1-904-235-1818

The Puzzler Available from General Symmetrics, 2935 West Chenango, Englewood, CO 80110

Ronin Enterprises 2075 Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park, NY 11040. Also available is a deluxe version with metal figures (not pictured) for $27.95 ppd.

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TDC Games 4N240 Cavalry Drive, Unit D, Bloomingdale, IL 60108

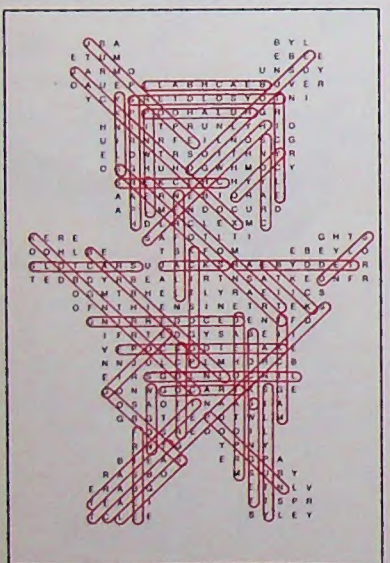
Ultimate Gifts, Inc. P.O. Box 2023, Danvers MA 01923

University Games (for Alva:) 4055 Bohannon Drive, Menlo Park, CA 94025. (Twenty Questions is available from: The Paragon, Tom Harvey, Westerly, RI 02891.)

24 WACKY WORDIES: THE EARLY YEARS

1. Error in judgment
2. Safe investment
3. Double-crossed
4. Getting under way
5. Square meal
6. Half-wit
7. Shady past
8. Spellbound
9. Flat denial
10. Hard-pressed
11. Top of the morning
12. Friend in need
13. Close call
14. Wise guy
15. The tables turned
16. Pipe dream
17. A period in history
18. Tenants
19. Smoke rings
20. Stepmother

26 THE PLAY'S THE THING



16 SCRABBLE CAN BE MURDER

"Any one of you could have killed Moderato by slipping into the room unseen through the back door, shooting him, leaving the same way, then mingling with the other four players in the post-gunshot confusion. (No doubt we'll find the gun in the garbage, and no doubt it will have no fingerprints.)"

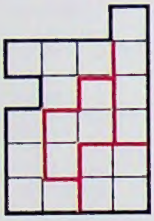
"Then the only one who knows who did it is Moderato, and he's not telling," said Bogbean with a crooked smile.

"But he is," answered Funk. "After he was shot, Moderato added a tile to the board (compare the board as it appears now and in the picture taken before Moderato was shot). He had just enough strength to place a blank tile between the O and A in ROASTER. This forms the rebus RO-blank-ASTER, or ROB LANKASTER. Mr. Lancaster, I think you'd better come with me. You have the right to remain silent . . ."

Robert Lancaster is now serving 20 years to life in a state penitentiary, where he is finding plenty of time to improve his Scrabble game.

35 POLISH YOUR WITS

1. Square Deal



2. Not Even Challenging

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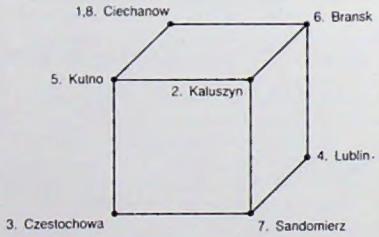
3. Cube Routes



10 GAMEBITS

Just the Facts

1. The theory that the self is the only thing that exists
2. An early electrical condenser (the current term is *capacitor*)
3. The use of cunning and duplicity
4. British rock group of the 1960s
5. Plant tissue that conducts water
6. City in southern Spain
7. Something that's essential
8. Belligerent nationalism
9. Nineteenth-century French novelist
10. The symbol for the word *and*: &
11. The event that touched off World War II
12. The legal principle that justified segregation
13. Russian ballet dancer of the 1920s
14. Leader of the Greek armies in the Trojan War
15. American author of *Native Son*
16. Civil War general who fought for the South
17. The question Cain asks of God after killing Abel in the Book of Genesis
18. A verb that doesn't take a direct object
19. The intellectual elite
20. Soviet satellite, the first ever in space

30 DSZQUPHSBNT!

1. CRYPTOON. "No wonder this exercise tape is so exhausting! I've been watching it on 'fast forward'!"
2. GOOD GRIEF. A cartoonist is someone who has to draw the same thing day after day after day without repeating himself—Charles Schulz
3. FALSE ETYMOLOGY. Contrary to popular belief, New Jersey is not called "The Garden State" because of all the industrial "plants" there.
4. BACK FROM THE FUTURE. If time travel machines will one day be invented, wouldn't someone have told us the news already?
5. SEEING RED? Colorization of old films has gone too far with recent rereleases such as "Blue Beauty" and "Green Christmas."
6. NEW WAVES. Trivia tidbit. The first song picked to be broadcast on MTV was titled "Video Killed the Radio Star."
7. BIRTH OF THE BLUES. Nervous father-to-be, following signs labeled "Deliveries," rushes pregnant wife to hospital loading dock.

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